

year which began July first, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two and ended June thirtieth, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-three, who have elected to contribute on the basis of salary receivable during said year, such percentage shall be computed on the basis of said salary: And provided, That, in any case, if the deduction so computed shall exceed five per centum of his or her earnable salary, and the employe shall so elect, there shall be deducted five per centum of his or her earnable salary: Provided, however, That these privileges are not available to contributors in the one one-hundred-fortieth (1/140) class: And further provided, That a [beneficiary] *disability annuitant* in the one one-hundred-sixtieth (1/160) class *heretofore or hereafter* restored to school service shall [not] be permitted to transfer to the one one-hundred-fortieth (1/140) class. [nor shall a] *Such* beneficiary restored to school service *as a member of the one one-hundred-fortieth (1/140) class shall* be required to contribute at a per centum rate of his or her earnable salary [which is greater than the per centum thereof which he or she was required to contribute prior to his or her retirement] *computed to be sufficient for new entrants of the one one-hundred-fortieth (1/140) class as of age attained at nearest birthday of the transferred contributor at the date of transfer.* The rate per centum of said deduction from salary shall be based on such mortality and other tables as the retirement board shall adopt, together with regular interest, and shall be computed to remain constant during the prospective school service of the contributor.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Act effective immediately.

APPROVED—The 15th day of May, A. D. 1956.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 528

AN ACT

Amending the act of May one, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 905), entitled "An act for the protection of the public safety; regulating the use of highways, and the operation of vehicles, tractors, street cars, trackless trolley omnibuses, bicycles, pedestrians, and the riding of animals upon the highways of this Commonwealth; providing for the titling, including liens, encumbrances, and legal claims; registration of certain vehicles and licensing the operators thereof, upon payment of prescribed fees; prescribing and limiting the powers of local authorities to deal with the subject matter of this act; conferring powers and imposing duties upon the Department of Revenue, the Department of Highways, peace officers, mayors,

burgesses, magistrates, aldermen, justices of the peace, the courts and the clerks thereof, owners of vehicles, and garage keepers; providing that records are admissible as evidence; imposing upon owners, counties, cities, boroughs, incorporated towns, townships, within the Commonwealth, liability for damages caused by the negligent operation of their motor vehicles; imposing penalties; imposing certain costs upon counties; providing for the disposition of fines, forfeitures, fees, and miscellaneous receipts; making an appropriation and providing for refunds," further regulating lighting equipment, lights and devices and the use thereof, and prescribing penalties.

The Vehicle Code.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Subsections (a), (d) and (e) and the penalty clause, section 801, act of May 1, 1929, P. L. 905, amended June 29, 1937, P. L. 2329, and subsections (d) and (e), amended August 24, 1951, P. L. 1368, are amended and subsection (d.1) added.

Section 1. Subsections (a), (d) and (e) and the penalty clause of section eight hundred one, act of May one, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 905), known as "The Vehicle Code," amended June twenty-nine, one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 2329), and subsections (d) and (e) amended August twenty-four, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws 1368), are amended and subsection (d.1) is added to read:

Section 801. Required Lighting Equipment.—

(a) When Lights Must Be Displayed.—Every vehicle upon a highway within this Commonwealth, during the period from [one (1)] *one-half* ($\frac{1}{2}$) hour after sunset to [one (1)] *one-half* ($\frac{1}{2}$) hour before sunrise, and at any other time when there is not sufficient light to render clearly discernible persons and vehicles on the highway at a distance of five hundred (500) feet ahead, shall be equipped with lighted lamps and illuminating devices, as in this section, respectively, required for different classes of vehicles.

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(d) Rear Lamps and Illumination of Rear Registration Plate.—Every motor vehicle, and every trailer or semi-trailer attached to a motor vehicle, and every vehicle which is being drawn at the end of a combination of vehicles, shall carry at the rear at least [one lamp] *two lamps* of a type which at the time of [its] *their* use is approved by the secretary, and which [exhibits] *exhibit* a red light, plainly visible under normal atmospheric conditions from a distance of five hundred (500) feet to the rear of such vehicle. [Either such rear lamp] *Such rear lamps* or a separate lamp shall be so constructed and placed that the number plate carried on the rear of such vehicle shall, under like conditions, be so illuminated by a white light as to be read from a distance of fifty (50) feet to the rear of such vehicle. When the rear number plate is illuminated by an electric lamp, other than the required rear [lamp, said two (2)] *lamps, the three (3)* lamps shall be turned on or off

only by the same control switch at all times whenever head lamps are lighted: *Provided, however, *That the requirement of at least two (2) red rear lamps on such vehicles shall apply only to vehicles initially registered in this Commonwealth on or after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred fifty-six. Vehicles initially registered in this Commonwealth prior to the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred fifty-six, shall be required to carry one (1) red rear lamp rather than the two (2) red rear lamps as otherwise required by the provisions of this subsection.*

(d.1) *Stop Lamps.*—Every motor vehicle, and every trailer or semi-trailer attached to a motor vehicle, and every vehicle which is being drawn at the end of a combination of vehicles, shall carry at the rear at least two (2) stop lamps, one on each side of the rear of the vehicle of a type which at the time of their use are approved by the Secretary of Revenue: *Provided, however, **That the requirement of at least two (2) stop lamps on such vehicles shall apply only to vehicles initially registered in this Commonwealth on or after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred fifty-six. All other such vehicles shall carry at the rear at least one (1) stop lamp.*

(e) *Reflectors and Reflective Materials.*—Every motor bus, motor omnibus, commercial motor vehicle, trailer, or semi-trailer, when operated on a highway, may display reflective materials, and shall display at each side of the rear a red reflector meeting the following requirements:

Whenever a red reflector is so used, or whenever reflectors are used, as hereinafter provided, it or they shall be mounted upon the vehicle at a height not to exceed sixty (60) inches and not less than twenty-four (24) inches above the ground upon which the vehicle stands, and every such reflector shall be of a type which, at the time of its use, is approved by the secretary and shall be so designed and maintained as to be visible at night from all distances within five hundred (500) feet to fifty (50) feet from such vehicle, when directly in front of or opposite to a motor vehicle displaying lawfully lighted head lamps as provided in this act.

Within the limitations of this subsection, the secretary may adopt standard specifications governing the use and display of reflective materials on the vehicles designated herein, and it shall be unlawful for any person

* "That" omitted in original.

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to use or display any reflective materials as provided herein in violation of the standard specifications so adopted.

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Penalty.

Penalty.—Any person violating any of the provisions of subsections (a), (b), (c), (d), (*d.1*) or (e) of this section 801 shall, upon summary conviction before a magistrate, be sentenced to pay a fine of ten (\$10) dollars and costs of prosecution, and, in default of the payment thereof, shall undergo imprisonment for not more than five (5) days. Any person violating any of the provisions of sub-sections (f), (g), (h) or (i) of this section 801 shall, upon summary conviction before a magistrate, be sentenced to pay a fine of two (\$2) dollars and costs of prosecution, and, in default of the payment thereof, shall undergo imprisonment for not more than one (1) day.

APPROVED—The 15th day of May, A. D. 1956.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 529

AN ACT

Amending the act of August nine, one thousand nine hundred fifty-five (Pamphlet Laws 323), entitled "An act relating to counties of the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," further regulating the payment of salaries in certain counties.

The County Code.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Sections 1605,
1606 and 1608,
act of August 9,
1955, P. L. 323,
amended.

Section 1. Sections one thousand six hundred five, one thousand six hundred six and one thousand six hundred eight, act of August nine, one thousand nine hundred fifty-five (Pamphlet Laws 323), known as "The County Code," are amended to read:

Section 1605. Officers Subject to This Subdivision to be Paid Salaries.—All county officers to which this subdivision applies, whether elected by the people or appointed according to law, and their several deputies and clerks, shall be paid for their services by fixed and specific salaries, which shall be a charge upon the treasury of the county to which each shall respectively belong, to the extent, except as [hereinafter] provided in section one thousand six hundred eight, of the fees