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Act effective immediately.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 1st day of June, A. D. 1956.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 669

AN ACT

Amending the act of July twenty-eight, one thousand nine hundred fifty-three (Pamphlet Laws 723), entitled "An act relating to counties of the second class; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," enabling county commissioners to establish, by resolution, the requirements of responsible bidders for county printing.

Second Class County Code.

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

Act of July 28, 1953, P. L. 723, amended by adding a new section 2002.

Section 1. The act of July twenty-eight, one thousand nine hundred fifty-three (Pamphlet Laws 723), known as the "Second Class County Code," is amended by adding, after section 2001, a new section to read:

Printers required to establish responsibility for contracts with counties of the second class.

Section 2002. Printing Contracts.—The county commissioners may, by proper resolution, require that printing firms who are desirous of presenting bids for county printing, shall be required to establish consideration as responsible bidders by all of the following:

Sworn statement as to payment of prevailing wage rate.

(1) That the printing firms shall file, with the chief clerk of the county commissioners, a sworn statement to the effect that employes, in the employ of the firm or firms which are to produce the printing, are receiving the prevailing wage rate, and are working under conditions prevalent in the locality in which the work is produced.

Collective bargaining agreement to be considered.

*(2) That whenever a collective bargaining agreement shall be in effect between an employer and *employes who are represented by a responsible organization which is in no way influenced or controlled by the management, the agreement and its provisions shall be considered as conditions prevalent in the locality and shall be the minimum requirements for being adjudged a responsible bidder under this act.*

*"employes" in original.

(3) That in case any dispute arises as to what is the prevailing rate of wages for work applicable to the contract, which cannot be adjusted by the county commissioners, the matter shall be referred to the county salary board and its decision thereon shall be conclusive.

Decision of county salary board to be conclusive in disputes.

(4) The words "prevailing wage rate," as used in this act, shall be construed to mean at least the minimum wages which are received by employes of any printing firm or firms, in second class counties, as a result of collective bargaining agreements negotiated by an employer or employers with a responsible organization representing the employes. If the wage rates, so arrived at, vary in any district in such county, then any printing firm which pays wages at least equal to those provided for in any of such agreements, shall, for the purposes of this act, be deemed to be paying the prevailing wage rate.

Definition—"prevailing wage rate."

APPROVED—The 1st day of June, A. D. 1956.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 670

AN ACT

Relating to comic books, magazines and other publications; prohibiting and regulating the sale thereof in certain instances; and imposing penalties.

Whereas, we believe that the destructive and adventurous potentialities of children and adolescents are often stimulated by collections of pictures and stories of criminal deeds of bloodshed or lust so massed as to incite to violent and depraved crimes against the person; and

Preamble.

Whereas, we believe that such juveniles and other susceptible characters do, in fact, commit such crimes at least partly because incited to do so by such publications, the purpose of which is to exploit such susceptible characters; and

Whereas, such belief even though not capable of statistical demonstration is supported by our experience as well as by the opinions of some specialists qualified to express opinions regarding criminal psychology and not disproved by others; and