

No. 155

AN ACT

Amending the act of May 2, 1925 (P. L. 448), entitled "An act relating to fish; and amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating to fish in the inland waters and the boundary lakes and boundary rivers of the Commonwealth," authorizing the Pennsylvania Fish Commission to accept donations for fish purposes.

The Fish Law of 1925.

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

Chapter XV., act of May 2, 1925, P. L. 448, amended by adding a new section 285.1.

Section 1. Chapter XV., act of May 2, 1925 (P. L. 448), known as "The Fish Law of 1925," is amended by adding, after section 285, a new section to read:

Section 285.1. Acceptance of Donations.—The commission shall have the right to accept donations from any person, firm, corporation or association, which shall be placed in "The Fish Fund," and used for the purposes set forth in section 285 of this act.

APPROVED—The 13th day of June, A. D. 1957.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 156

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 12, 1931 (P. L. 512), entitled "An act providing for the joint construction by any two or more counties of industrial farms and workhouses; providing for the acquisition of sites and the erection and equipment of buildings; providing for their government and control, and for the commitment, admission, employment, and discharge of inmates, the appointment of an advisory board, and defining its duties; authorizing counties to incur indebtedness and issue bonds for the purpose of paying their share of the cost of erection; imposing the cost of maintenance of inmates on the counties; and repealing inconsistent legislation," permitting any county to commit inmates to any industrial farm and workhouse in the Commonwealth, and providing for payment of their upkeep.

Industrial farms and workhouses.

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

Sections 9 and 15, act of June 12, 1931, P. L. 512, amended.

Section 1. Sections 9 and 15, act of June 12, 1931 (P. L. 512), entitled "An act providing for the joint construction by any two or more counties of industrial farms and workhouses; providing for the acquisition of sites and the erection and equipment of buildings; providing for their government and control, and for the commitment, admission, employment, and discharge of inmates, the appointment of an advisory board, and defining its duties; authorizing counties to incur indebtedness and issue bonds for the purpose of paying their

share of the cost of erection; imposing the cost of maintenance of inmates on the counties; and repealing inconsistent legislation," are amended to read:

Section 9. When, if any district formed by such counties, the arrangements are complete for the reception of inmates, transfer shall be made from the county prisons and jails, respectively, to the industrial farm and workhouse of the district, of all persons who have been sentenced to any of said county prisons and jails for any misdemeanor or felony (except murder, voluntary manslaughter, rape, and arson), or who have been committed to any of such county prisons and jails in default of payment of any fine or penalty, or for nonpayment of costs, or for default in complying with any order of court entered in any prosecution for desertion or nonsupport, or any other person legally confined in any of said county jails or prisons, except those that are confined awaiting trial or held as material witnesses.

Transfer of prisoners from county jail.

[Thereafter, when] *When* any person is convicted in any [of said courts] *court* in any county, of any offense, misdemeanor or felony (except murder, voluntary manslaughter, rape, and arson), the punishment of which is, or may hereafter be, imprisonment in any county jail or prison for a period of ten days or more, [said] *the* court [shall] *may* sentence such person to [the] *any* industrial farm and workhouse of the [district in which said court may have jurisdiction] *Commonwealth*. Courts of record and courts not of record of [the counties comprising any such district] *any county in the Commonwealth* [shall] *may* hereafter commit to the industrial farm and workhouse [of the district] all persons who might be lawfully committed to the county jail or prison on charges of vagrancy, drunkenness or disorderly conduct, or for default or nonpayment of any costs, fine, or penalty, or for default in complying with any order of court entered in any prosecution for desertion or nonsupport, or for violations of municipal ordinances, where, in any such case, the commitment will be for a period of ten days or more.

Court may sentence convicted persons to industrial farm or workhouse.

The existing county prisons and jails may be retained to confine persons awaiting trial, or held as material witnesses, or sentenced for a period less than ten days, and such number of other convicted persons as may be required to perform the necessary institutional maintenance work.

Retention of county prisons.

All inmates shall be clothed and treated as provided for in this act, and in the rules and regulations of the industrial farm and workhouse.

Treatment of inmates.

Section 15. The original cost of the site and buildings of the industrial farm and workhouse, and the equipment thereof and all additions thereto, and all

Payment of original cost and fixed overhead.

fixed overhead charges in conducting the institution, shall be paid by the counties constituting the districts in the ratio of their population according to the last preceding United States census.

Cost of care and maintenance of inmates.

The cost of the care and maintenance of the inmates [in said districts] shall be certified monthly to the counties from which inmates have been committed. Such cost shall be paid by the counties in proportion to the number of inmates committed from each county. All payments shall be on warrants of the county commissioners, countersigned by the county controller in counties where such officer exists.

APPROVED—The 13th day of June, A. D. 1957.

GEORGE M. LEADER

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No. 157

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 16, 1836 (P. L. 715), entitled "An act relating to Reference and Arbitration," making awards, upon approval by the court, judgments of the court and giving them the dignity of judicial proceedings.

Reference and Arbitration.

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

Act of June 16, 1836, P. L. 715, amended by adding a new section 34.1.

Section 1. The act of June 16, 1836 (P. L. 715), entitled "An act relating to Reference and Arbitration," is amended by adding, after section 34, a new section to read:

Effect of award and approval within the meaning of Article IV., Section 1.

Section 34.1. If the appeal as aforesaid shall not be entered within the time hereinbefore limited, any party may present the award to the court for its approval and upon being approved by the court, such award and approval shall be regarded as a judgment of the court, and the award and approval shall be regarded and have the dignity of judicial proceedings within the meaning of Article IV., Section 1 of the United States Constitution.

Act effective immediately.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 13th day of June, A. D. 1957.

GEORGE M. LEADER

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No. 158

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 25, 1947 (P. L. 1145), entitled, as amended, "An act empowering cities of the second class, cities of the second class A, cities of the third class, boroughs, towns, townships of the first class, townships of the second class, school