

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 938, act of June 3, 1937 (P. L. 1225), known as "The Game Law," amended May 31, 1957 (P. L. 240), is amended to read:

Subsection (a), section 938, act of June 3, 1937, P. L. 1225, amended May 31, 1957, P. L. 240, further amended.

Section 938. Special Dog Training Areas.—(a) Upon application of any club or organization having twenty or more members who are citizens of this Commonwealth, or upon the application of twenty or more citizens of this Commonwealth and the payment of a registration fee of ten dollars (\$10), the commission may issue a permit authorizing the establishment and maintenance by such club, organization or citizens on land owned by them, or over which they have legal control, of a special dog training area wherein and whereon dogs may be trained at any time during the entire year. No such dog training area shall be of less than one hundred acres, nor of more than two hundred fifty acres, nor shall permits be issued for more than [six] *eight* special dog training areas in any one county.

Dogs may be trained at any time in certain areas by special permit.

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APPROVED—The 24th day of June, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 103

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 16, 1836 (P. L. 715), entitled "An act relating to Reference and Arbitration," authorizing arbitration before the County Court of Allegheny County.

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

Arbitration.

Section 1. Sections 8.1, 10, 25 and 26, act of June 16, 1836 (P. L. 715), entitled "An act relating to Reference and Arbitration," amended June 20, 1957 (P. L. 336), are amended to read:

Sections 8.1, 10, 25 and 26, act of June 16, 1836, P. L. 715, amended June 20, 1957, P. L. 336, further amended.

Section 8.1. The several courts of common pleas, *the County Court of Allegheny County* and the Municipal Court of Philadelphia may, by rules of court, provide that all cases which are at issue where the amount in controversy shall be two thousand dollars (\$2000) or less, except those involving title to real estate, shall first be submitted to and heard by a board of three (3) members of the bar within the judicial district. Cases which are not at issue and whether or not suit has been filed may be referred to the board of arbitration by agreement of reference signed by counsel for both sides in the case. Said agreement of reference shall define the issues in-

Cases at issue for \$2000 or less excluding title to real estate to be submitted to board of arbitration.

Cases not at issue and suit not filed may be submitted by signed agreement of counsel of both sides.

Agreement to define issues, contain stipulations on facts and defenses waived.

Said agreement of reference becomes the pleadings.

Limitation of time on reference.

Non-suit.

Power reserved to court to set aside an award on proof of misbehaviour or corruption.

Effective date.

Cities of second class.

Clause XLIII., section 3, article XIX., act of March 7, 1901; P. L. 20, amended.

involved for determination by the board and, when agreeable, shall also contain stipulations with respect to facts submitted or agreed or defenses waived. In such cases, the agreement of reference shall take the place of the pleadings in the case and be filed of record.

Section 10. No suit or action which shall be set down for trial at any court of common pleas, *the County Court of Allegheny County* or the Municipal Court of Philadelphia, shall be referred (except by consent of parties) within thirty days before, nor during the sitting of such court, unless such suit or action shall have been previously continued to the next term.

Section 25. The several courts of common pleas, *the County Court of Allegheny County* and the Municipal Court of Philadelphia may, after appeal, allow the plaintiff to suffer a non-suit, with like effect as if the cause had not been referred, as aforesaid, if the special circumstances of the case shall appear to require it.

Section 26. It shall be lawful for the several courts of common pleas, *the County Court of Allegheny County* and the Municipal Court of Philadelphia to set aside an award of arbitrators, on due proof—

I. That the arbitrators misbehaved themselves in the course of the hearings before them.

II. That the award was procured by corruption, or other undue means.

Section 2. This act shall take effect when funds necessary to carry out its provisions are initially appropriated for such purpose by the County Commissioners of Allegheny County.

APPROVED—The 24th day of June, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 104

AN ACT

Amending the act of March 7, 1901 (P. L. 20), entitled "An act for the government of cities of the second class," increasing the maximum penalties which may be enforced.

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

Section 1. Clause XLIII., section 3, article XIX., act of March 7, 1901 (P. L. 20), entitled "An act for the government of cities of the second class," is amended to read: