

duties of such boards; providing for the acceptance of this act by cities; regulating the office of ward, borough, town and township assessors; abolishing the office of assistant triennial assessor in townships of the first class; providing for the appointment of a chief assessor, assistant assessors and other employes; providing for their compensation payable by such counties; prescribing certain duties of and certain fees to be collected by the recorder of deeds and municipal officers who issue building permits; imposing duties on taxables making improvements on land and grantees of land; prescribing penalties; and eliminating the triennial assessment," increasing the maximum daily compensation of assessors.

The Fourth to Eighth Class County Assessment Law.

Section 505, act of May 21, 1943, P. L. 571, amended March 28, 1956, P. L. 1350, further amended.

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

Section 1. Section 505, act of May 21, 1943 (P. L. 571), known as "The Fourth to Eighth Class County Assessment Law," amended March 28, 1956 (P. L. 1350), is amended to read:

Section 505. Compensation of Assessor.—Each assessor hereafter elected shall be paid *not less than twelve nor more than sixteen* dollars for each day of eight hours, and at the same rate for each hour of any greater or lesser period necessarily employed by him in the performance of his duties. On or before the tenth day of each month succeeding any month in which the assessor has been employed one or more days in the performance of his duties, the assessor shall file with the board a sworn statement of the days so employed, indicating the particular days and the nature of the duties performed on each day. The board shall make such examination of the statement as to it seems proper, and shall allow or disallow any compensation claimed by the assessor within twenty days after receipt of such statement. Any assessor who shall be aggrieved by the action of the board in allowing or disallowing any compensation claimed by him may appeal from the decision of the board to the court of common pleas of the county.

APPROVED—The 27th day of July, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 187

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 15, 1937 (P. L. 1743), entitled, as amended, "An act relating to magistrates and magistrates' courts in the city of Philadelphia; imposing certain duties upon, and prohibiting certain practices by, magistrates; and fixing their compensation; imposing certain duties on the city controller in regard thereto; authorizing the employment by him of additional clerks and fixing their compensation; regulating the practice in and defining magistrates' courts, the entering of

bail, and the issuance of discharges in criminal cases in the county of Philadelphia; conferring certain powers over magistrates and magistrates' courts, and imposing certain duties in connection therewith upon the judges of the courts of common pleas of the county of Philadelphia, the Attorney General and the District Attorney; providing for the appointment and employment of stenographers to report proceedings in certain cases heard by magistrates; fixing the salaries of persons employed by authority of this act; providing penalties for violations of the provisions thereof; and repealing certain prior acts," providing for the appointment of an acting chief magistrate.

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

1937 Magistrates' Court Act.

Section 1. The act of June 15, 1937 (P. L. 1743), known as the "1937 Magistrates' Court Act," is amended by adding, after section 32, a new section to read:

Act of June 15, 1937, P. L. 1743, amended by adding a new section 32.1.

*Section 32.1. The chief magistrate may, from time to time, appoint from among the magistrates an acting chief magistrate to act during the temporary absence or incapacity of the chief magistrate. Such acting chief magistrate shall serve at the pleasure of the chief magistrate. No magistrate shall receive additional compensation because of his appointment to this office.*

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Act effective immediately.

APPROVED—The 28th day of July, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 188

AN ACT

To authorize political subdivisions of this Commonwealth to establish an emergency temporary location or locations for their seats of government and to exercise governmental powers and functions thereat.

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

War time emergency.

Section 1. Whenever due to an emergency resulting from the effects of enemy attack or the anticipated effects of a threatened enemy attack, it becomes imprudent, inexpedient or impossible to conduct the affairs of local government at the regular or usual place or places thereof, the governing body of each political subdivision of this Commonwealth may meet at any place, within or without the territorial limits of such political subdivision, on the call of the presiding officer or any two members of such governing body, and shall proceed to estab-

Governing body of each political subdivision of Commonwealth authorized to establish emergency temporary locations of government within or without the Commonwealth.