

Section 1936, act of August 9, 1955, P. L. 323, amended April 6, 1956, P. L. 1431, further amended.

Section 1. Section 1936, act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), known as "The County Code," amended April 6, 1956 (P. L. 1431), is amended to read:

Section 1936. Agricultural Extension Work.—The board of commissioners may appropriate a sum not to exceed [fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000)] *eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000)* annually for agricultural extension work, in cooperation with the Pennsylvania State University, in encouraging improved methods of farm management and home economics and giving practical instruction and demonstrations in agriculture, for the purpose of improving and developing the agricultural resources of the county. The money so appropriated shall be expended according to rules and regulations prescribed or approved by the board of commissioners. The board of commissioners may also, where practicable and desirable, provide offices in the county court house for headquarters for such cooperative work.

Act effective immediately.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 283

AN ACT

Amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 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," increasing the amount the commissioners may spend in contracts without written bids.

The County Code.

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

Section 1804, act of August 9, 1955 P. L. 323, amended April 11, 1959, P. L. 17, Act No. 13, further amended.

Section 1. Section 1804, act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), known as "The County Code," amended April *11, 1959 (P. L. 17) (Act No. **13), is amended to read:

Section 1804. Contracts for [One Hundred Dollars (\$100)] *Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250)* to One Thousand Dollars (\$1000); Written Bids; Destruction of Files.—(a) In all cases of contracts and purchases, other than the kinds mentioned in subsection (h) of section one thousand eight hundred two of this act, from [one hundred dollars (\$100)] *two hundred fifty dollars (\$250)* to one thousand dollars (\$1000) inclusive at least two written bids shall be solicited therefor. The specifications upon which such bids are solicited shall be uniform insofar as possible to afford equal opportunity

* "6" in original.

** "13" omitted in original.

for bidding. Catalogues and circulars of firm prices shall be acceptable as bids upon the contracts or purchases herein regulated. All such bids shall be filed with the controller or the chief clerk where there is no controller.

(b) The controller shall refuse to approve vouchers for claims made upon transactions entered into in violation of this section, unless it shall be manifest to him that such bids could not in the circumstances be obtained or that no lower price would have been obtained by compliance with this section.

(c) The file copies of notes and memorandums in writing concerning contracts or purchases not over one thousand dollars (\$1000), including the bids thereon, may be destroyed by the controller, or the chief clerk as the case may be, with the approval of the commissioners by resolution, after the said notes and memorandums are six years old and the contracts have been fully performed.

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

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 284

AN ACT

Amending the act of July 28, 1953 (P. L. 723), entitled "An act relating to counties of the second class; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," increasing the limitations on appropriations which may be made for agricultural extension work.

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

Second Class
County Code.

Section 1. Section 2136, act of July 28, 1953 (P. L. 723), known as the "Second Class County Code," is amended to read:

Section 2136, act
of July 28, 1953.
P. L. 723.
amended.

Section 2136. Agricultural Extension Work.—The board of commissioners may [appropriate a sum not to exceed twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000)] *make appropriations not to exceed eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000) annually for agricultural extension work, in cooperation with the Pennsylvania State [College] University, in encouraging improved methods of farm management and home economics and giving practical instruction and demonstrations in agriculture, for the purpose of improving and developing the agricultural resources of the county. The money so appropriated shall be*