

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

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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*

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

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No. 285

AN ACT

Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), entitled "An act relating to the public school system, including certain provisions applicable as well to private and parochial schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," providing for the membership of county board of school directors.

Public School Code of 1949.

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

Subsection (a), section 921, act of March 10, 1949, P. L. 30, amended May 24, 1956, P. L. 1665 and May 24, 1956, P. L. 1672, further amended.

Section 1. Subsection (a), section 921, act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," amended May 24, 1956 (P. L. 1665) and May 24, \*1956 (P. L. 1672), is amended to read:

Section 921. Election; Vacancies; Qualifications; Removals.—(a) In every county having a county superintendent of public schools, there shall be a county board of school directors consisting of five (5) members, except in counties of the second class where the board shall consist of seven (7) members. *At least one (1) member of every county board of school directors shall be elected from each class of school district participating in the services of the county office.* The annual convention of the school directors of any county having a population over eighty thousand (80,000) may, by resolution, provide for seven (7) members. All members shall be elected at the annual convention of the school directors of the county next preceding the expiration of their respective terms of office, by majority vote of the school directors of the county and of directors of other counties, as hereinbefore provided, voting at such annual convention. They shall serve for terms of six years from the first day of July following their election, or until their successors are chosen. The terms of the members shall be staggered so that two members shall be elected in the

\* "1956" omitted in original.