

Disposition of proceeds.

Section 3. All moneys received from the sale of the land herein authorized to be conveyed shall be deposited in the General Fund.

Act effective immediately.

Section 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 19th day of November, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 548

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 13, 1836 (P. L. 551), entitled "An act relating to roads, highways and bridges," authorizing the Secretary of Highways to determine the maximum width of public highways.

Public highways.

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

Section 5, act of June 13, 1836, P. L. 551, amended September 29, 1951, P. L. 1635, further amended.

Section 1. Section 5, act of June 13, 1836 (P. L. 551), entitled "An act relating to roads, highways and bridges," amended September 29, 1951 (P. L. 1635), is amended to read:

Breadth of private road.

Width of public road.

Exception: Right of way for a public highway acquired solely by Federal government.

Further exception: Multiple lane highways.

Section 5. The breadth of a private road shall not in any case exceed twenty-five feet, and the width of a public road shall not be less than thirty-three feet [nor more than one hundred and twenty feet, except that whenever the right of way for a public highway has been acquired solely by the Federal government the maximum width thereof may be two hundred feet, and except in the instance of multiple lane highways, the maximum width shall be one hundred and twenty feet plus any additional footage that shall be necessary, in the judgment of the Secretary of Highways, for center or dividing strips between the multiple roadways: Provided, That the limits of width shall not be construed to include the width required for necessary slopes in cuts or fills, when the limits of the road and the extra width required for such slopes exceed the limits of width herein specified; but no appropriation of property as width required only for slopes shall be construed to prevent the owner from making any use of his property which is not inconsistent with the necessary support or protection of the highway; all viewers shall hereafter be required to take into consideration the qualified nature of the easement in proceedings to assess damages for the taking of land for highway purposes: And provided further] *and shall have such maximum width as shall be determined necessary in the judgment of the*

Proviso.

Further proviso.

*Secretary of Highways: Provided, That when the public road desired to be opened is in a built up section of any township of the second class of the type commonly known as an alley and is not an integral part of a through route, the minimum width shall be fifteen feet: And provided further, That where the breadth of a public road shall hereafter be fixed at more than one hundred and twenty feet and the right of way for such public highway has been acquired solely by the Federal government and it shall become necessary to move or relocate any public service facilities, the cost and expenses incident to such removal or relocation shall be paid by the Federal government.*

Proviso.

Further proviso.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Act effective immediately.

APPROVED—The 19th day of November, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 549

AN ACT

To validate and quiet the title to real estate in this Commonwealth held by a foreign corporation not authorized to transact business in Pennsylvania and heretofore conveyed to a citizen or citizens of the United States or a corporation authorized to hold such real estate.

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

Real Estate.

Section 1. The title to any real estate situate in this Commonwealth which may have been held by any foreign corporation not authorized under the laws of Pennsylvania to transact business in Pennsylvania, the title to which real estate has been heretofore conveyed by such foreign corporation to any citizen or citizens of the United States or to any corporation incorporated under the laws of this Commonwealth or of any other state or commonwealth in the United States and authorized to hold such real estate, is hereby declared to be good and valid and free and clear of any right of escheat by the Commonwealth; and such citizen, citizens or corporation grantees as aforesaid and his, their or its respective heirs, successors and assigns shall hold and may convey such title and estate, indefeasible as to any right of escheat which the Commonwealth might otherwise have by rea-

Title to real estate conveyed by foreign corporation not authorized to transact business in Pennsylvania validated.