

by the formulation of rules and regulations for the prevention of disease, for the prevention and removal of conditions which constitute a menace to health, and for the promotion and preservation of the public health generally. Rules and regulations formulated by the board of health shall be submitted to the county commissioners or, in the case of a joint-county department of health to the joint-county health commission, for approval or rejection. Within [ten (10)] *thirty (30)* days after the receipt of the rules and regulations, the county commissioners or the joint-county health commission, as the case may be, shall give written notice to the secretary of the board of their approval or rejection.

If approved, the rules and regulations shall be certified by the secretary of the board of health, and shall be recorded in a book which shall be kept at the principal office of the county department of health and shall be at all reasonable times open to public inspection. Within ten (10) days after any rule or regulation is approved it shall be published in at least one and not more than two newspapers of general circulation in each county. Instead of publishing the rule or regulation in full, an abstract thereof or the title thereof, as the county commissioners or joint-county health commission may determine, with reference, in any case, to its place of record, shall be a sufficient publication. No rule or regulation shall become effective sooner than the tenth day after it is approved, except that regulations which are declared by the board of health to be emergency measures shall become effective immediately upon approval of the county commissioners or the joint-county health commission.

Act effective immediately.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 21st day of June, A. D. 1961.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 252

AN ACT

Providing for the creation of a commission to formulate a plan with respect to State and local administration of public welfare services, and to prepare codifications of laws relating thereto, and appropriate legislation in connection therewith.

Public Welfare services.

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

State and Local Welfare Commission.

Section 1. The State and Local Welfare Commission shall consist of the State Board of Public Welfare, four members of each House of the General Assembly, who

shall be appointed, respectively, by the President pro Tempore of the Senate and by the Speaker of the House: Provided, That the two major political parties shall be equally represented by the persons so selected from each House, five local public welfare officials appointed by the Governor: Provided, That not more than three of them shall be members of the same political party. The chairman of the State Board of Public Welfare shall be chairman of the State and local welfare commission.

The commission shall formulate a plan for the proper division of public welfare responsibilities and functions between the State and the counties and the proper organization of public welfare services in the counties, hold public hearings thereon throughout the Commonwealth in order that the views of those presently responsible for rendering these services, both public and private, may be fully considered, and prepare appropriate legislation for submission to the General Assembly.

Duties of
commission.

The commission shall also collate Pennsylvania statutes relating to welfare services provided by all public and private agencies, except those statutes relating to services provided by the Department of Health, Labor and Industry, and Public Instruction, and prepare codifications, revisions, consolidations and other drafts of legislation necessary to embody the best thought and experiences on these subjects.

Codification
of laws.

Section 2. The Department of Public Welfare shall assign necessary professional and clerical staff of the department to the commission at its request.

Personnel supply.

Section 3. The members of the commission shall serve without compensation other than reimbursement of travel and other actual expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

Compensation.

Section 4. This commission shall report to the Governor and the General Assembly prior to March 1, 1963.

Report.

Section 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

Act effective
immediately.

APPROVED—The 21st day of June, A. D. 1961.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

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No. 253

AN ACT

Amending the act of April 29, 1959 (P. L. 58), entitled "An act consolidating and revising the Vehicle Code, the Tractor Code, the Motor Vehicle Financial Responsibility Act and other acts