

No. 427

AN ACT

HB 1392

Amending the act of June 24, 1931 (P. L. 1206), entitled "An act concerning townships of the first class; amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto," further regulating assessments for sewers.

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

Section 1. Section 2408, act of June 24, 1931 (P. L. 1206), known as "The First Class Township Code," reenacted and amended May 27, 1949 (P. L. 1955), is amended to read:

Section 2408. Manner of Assessment.—The charge for any such sewer system construction in any township shall be assessed upon the properties accommodated or benefited in either of the following methods:

(a) By an assessment, pursuant to township ordinance, of each lot or piece of land in proportion to its frontage abutting on the sewer, allowing such reduction in the case of corner properties and unusually shaped properties or those properties abutting on more than one sewer as the ordinance may specify. However, when the lot or piece of land is on a corner it shall be assessed for its entire frontage abutting on any sewer except when such property is a vacant lot or contains only a single family dwelling in which case it shall be assessed along the shorter frontage and assessed along the longer frontage abutting on a sewer, commencing at a point no closer to the corner than one hundred twenty-five feet. No assessment by frontage shall be made on properties of such a character as not to be lawfully subject to such manner of assessment, and each abutting property shall be assessed with not less than the whole amount of the benefit accruing to it and legally assessable.

(b) By an assessment upon the several properties abutting on the sewer in proportion to benefits. The amount of the charge on each property shall be ascertained as provided in this act for the assessment of benefits.

When a township is divided into sewer districts, the assessment in each district may be by different methods.

Section 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 1968.

APPROVED—The 18th day of January, A. D. 1968.

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No. 428

AN ACT

HB 1573

Providing a method for the disposition of certain public records in cities of the third class, boroughs and townships of the first and second class, establishing a local Government Records Committee, empowering the committee to make rules and regulations for records disposition and assigning certain duties to the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.

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

Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Municipal Records Act."

Section 2. The following words and phrases, whenever used in this act, shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

(1) "Municipality," a city of the third class, borough, incorporated town, township of the first class, township of the second class and any municipal authority created by any of these municipalities.

(2) "Public records," any papers, books, maps, photographs or other documentary materials, regardless of physical form or characteristics, made or received by a municipality or a municipal government agency in pursuance of law or in connection with the exercise of its legitimate functions and the discharge of its responsibilities.

(3) "Commission," the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.

Section 3. Certain public records, archives or printed public documents, whether or not they are in current use, in the custody of any person or office, shall be destroyed, sold or otherwise disposed of if the disposition is in conformance with schedules and regulations which shall be made and promulgated by the Local Government Records Committee as established by section 5 of this act.

Section 4. The commission in cooperation with the several associations of municipal officials and related State agencies, shall make a study of the kind and character of municipal public records, and shall prepare proposed retention and disposal schedules for submission to the Local Government Records Committee established by section 5