

No. 12
AN ACT

HB 760

Amending the act of June 24, 1939 (P. L. 872), entitled "An act to consolidate, amend and revise the penal laws of the Commonwealth," prohibiting certain sales of portable fire extinguishers containing carbon tetrachloride, chlorobromomethane or methylene bromide.

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

Section 1. The act of June 24, 1939 (P. L. 872), known as "The Penal Code," is amended by adding after section 699.11, a new section to read:

Section 699.11A. Sale and Use of Portable Fire Extinguishers Containing Carbon Tetrachloride, Chlorobromomethane or Methylene Bromide.—Whoever sells any portable fire extinguisher containing carbon tetrachloride, (CCl₄), chlorobromomethane, (CH₂BrCl) or methylene bromide, (CH₂Br) knowing it is intended for use in a single or multiple family dwelling or a hospital, rest-home, school, theater or other building generally open to the public, is guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100) or undergo imprisonment not exceeding sixty (60) days, or both.

Section 2. This act shall take effect December 31, 1968.

APPROVED—The 26th day of January, A. D. 1968.

RAYMOND P. SHAFER.

No. 13
AN ACT

HB 1360

Amending the act of December 22, 1959 (P. L. 1978), entitled, as amended, "An act providing for and regulating harness racing with pari-mutuel wagering on the results thereof; creating the State Harness Racing Commission as a departmental administra-

tive commission within the Department of Agriculture and defining its powers and duties; providing for the establishment and operation of harness racing plants subject to local option; imposing taxes on revenues of such plants; disposing of all moneys received by the commission and all moneys collected from the taxes; authorizing penalties; and making appropriations," imposing taxes on revenues of such plants for general school purposes in school districts of the first class for a limited period of time.

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

Section 1. Section 15, act of December 22, 1959 (P. L. 1978), entitled, as amended, "An act providing for and regulating harness racing with pari-mutuel wagering on the results thereof; creating the State Harness Racing Commission as a departmental administrative commission within the Department of Agriculture and defining its powers and duties; providing for the establishment and operation of harness racing plants subject to local option; imposing taxes on revenues of such plants; disposing of all moneys received by the commission and all moneys collected from the taxes; authorizing penalties; and making appropriations," amended January 25, 1966 (P. L. 1575), is amended to read:

Section 15. Disposition of Pari-mutuel Pools.—Every corporation authorized under this act to conduct pari-mutuel betting at a harness horse race meeting on races run thereat shall distribute all sums deposited in any pari-mutuel pool to the holders of winning tickets therein, provided such tickets be presented for payment before April first of the year following the year of their purchase, less fifteen per centum of the total deposits plus the breaks, and as to harness horse race meetings held within school districts of the first class during the years 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966 [and], 1967, 1968 and 1969

less seventeen per centum of the total deposits plus the breaks. At the close of each racing day, the permit holder out of the amount retained on said day by said permit holder, shall pay, through the Department of Revenue into the State Treasury for credit to the State Harness Racing Fund, a tax of five per centum of the amount wagered each day, which tax is hereby imposed, and as to harness horse meetings held within school districts of the first class during the years 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966 [and], 1967, 1968 and 1969 the permit holder

shall pay the school district in which the harness horse race meeting is held a tax of two per centum of the amount wagered each day, which tax is hereby imposed for general school purposes and as to other permit holders, a tax of two per centum of the amount wagered each day is imposed and shall be paid to the Department of Commerce to be distributed by the Secretary of Commerce to eligible townships and boroughs having a population of less than ten thousand or their municipality authorities, for projects providing for the construction, rehabilitation, alteration, expansion or improvement of water facilities, sewage disposal facilities and access roads, in amounts

not to exceed twenty-five per centum of the cost thereof, in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Secretary of Commerce and approved by the Governor. No distribution shall be made in connection with any project unless it is determined that the project:

(1) Is not in conflict with programs of other departments of the Commonwealth;

(2) Is not inconsistent with an existing development plan for the municipality;

(3) Could not otherwise be financed;

(4) Will either strengthen the income-producing capability of the municipality, or improve the health and safety of the community; and

(5) Is necessary to orderly community development.

In addition, each permit holder shall be allowed to retain the odd cents of all redistribution to be made on all mutual contributions exceeding a sum equal to the next lowest multiple of ten, subject to a tax of fifty per centum of the total sum of such odd cents, which tax is hereby imposed and shall be paid by the permit holder to the Department of Revenue for credit to the State Harness Racing Fund.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 26th day of January, A. D. 1968.

RAYMOND P. SHAFER.

No. 14

AN ACT

HB 1904

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," increasing the maximum amount the Department of Public Instruction may approve for certain purposes.

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

Section 1. Subsection (a.1) of section 2577, act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," amended February 1, 1966 (P. L. 1632) and repealed, effective June 30, 1968, February 1, 1966 (P. L. 1642), is amended to read:

Section 2577. Limitations on Approval of Projects for Reimbursement Purposes.—(a.1) The Department of Public Instruction may approve, for capital reimbursement purposes, notwithstanding any limitations hereinbefore imposed, area vocational-technical school