

sentative or by said committee that such employe has violated any of the provisions of this act.

Section 8. Severability Clause.—The provisions of this act are severable and if any provision or part thereof shall be held invalid or unconstitutional or inapplicable to any person or circumstances, such invalidity, unconstitutionality or inapplicability shall not affect or impair the remaining provisions of the act.

APPROVED—The 10th day of July, A. D. 1968.

RAYMOND P. SHAFER.

No. 155

AN ACT

HB 2000

Amending the act of March 31, 1949 (P. L. 372), entitled "An act to promote the welfare of the people of the Commonwealth; creating The General State Authority as a body corporate and politic with power to construct, improve, equip, furnish, and operate projects, and to lease the same, and to fix fees, rentals, and charges for the use thereof; authorizing and regulating the issuance of bonds for said Authority, and providing for the payment of such bonds, and the rights of the holders thereof; and to enter into agreements with the Government of the United States or any Federal agency; and authorizing the Department of Property and Supplies to grant, assign, convey, or lease to the Authority lands of the Commonwealth and interests therein, and to acquire lands therefor; granting the right of eminent domain; empowering The General State Authority to sell and convey projects and property to the Commonwealth; and providing that no debt of the Commonwealth shall be incurred in the exercise of any of the powers granted by this act," further regulating acquisition of materials and services.

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

Section 1. Section 4, act of March 31, 1949 (P. L. 372), known as "The General State Authority Act of one thousand nine hundred forty-nine," is amended by adding after clause (j), a new clause to read:

Section 4. Purposes and Powers; General.—The Authority is created for the purpose of constructing, improving, equipping, furnishing, maintaining, acquiring and operating sewers, sewer systems, and sewage treatment works for State institutions of every kind and character (heretofore or hereafter constructed), public buildings for the use of the Commonwealth, an official residence in the City of Harrisburg which shall thereafter be used as the official residence of the Governor of the Commonwealth, municipal exhibition halls, State arsenals, armories, and military reserves, State airports and landing fields, State institutions of every kind and character (heretofore or hereafter constructed), additions and improvements to land

grant colleges, State colleges, universities and medical colleges, manual training schools, agricultural and industrial schools receiving State aid, school buildings and the furnishings and equipment thereof for the use of the public schools, State highways, and bridges, toll bridges, tunnels, and traffic circles on State highways, swimming pools, reservoirs and lakes, marinas, marine terminals, port improvements, low head dams, improvements to river embankments, desilting dams, impounding basins, flood control projects, and the purchase of lands for rehabilitation purposes in connection with State institutions and for use of State colleges (any and all the foregoing being herein called "projects"): Provided, however, That the purpose and intent of this act being to benefit the people of the Commonwealth by, among other things, increasing their commerce and prosperity, and not to unnecessarily burden or interfere with existing business by the establishment of competitive enterprises, none of the powers granted hereby (other than for the construction, improvement and maintenance of bridges) shall be exercised in the construction, improvement, maintenance, extension or operation of any project or projects which, in whole or in part, shall duplicate or compete with existing enterprises serving substantially the same purposes. Whenever any bill authorizing the Authority to undertake specific projects becomes law, the Authority shall not undertake any project which at any time was included in such bill but which was not included in the bill as finally passed. The Authority is hereby granted and shall have and may exercise all powers necessary or convenient for the carrying out of the aforesaid purposes, including, but without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the following rights and powers:

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(j. 1) At its option, to authorize the Department of Property and Supplies to prescribe standards and specifications and make contracts and purchases of various materials and services for the Authority, pursuant to the provisions of sections ¹ 2409, 2403, and 2403.1 of the act of April 9, 1929 (P. L. 177), known as "The Administrative Code of 1929."

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Except as otherwise provided by law, when projects are to be constructed, improved, equipped, furnished, maintained, repaired or operated for the use of any department of the Commonwealth, as hereinbefore listed in this section, no plans or specifications therefor shall be presented for quotations or bids until such plans and specifications shall have been submitted to and approved by the department of the Commonwealth which shall use such project, the Department of Property and Supplies and the Department of Labor and Industry,

¹ "2309" in original.

so that the project will conform to standards established by these departments.

The Department of Property and Supplies shall communicate its approval or disapproval of such plans and specifications to the Authority within ninety days after its receipt thereof. In the event of the disapproval of such plans and specifications within said ninety day period the Authority may submit other plans and specifications to the Department of Property and Supplies in which case the provisions hereof with respect to approval or disapproval shall apply thereto. The failure of the Department of Property and Supplies to communicate its approval or disapproval of such plans and specifications to the Authority within said ninety day period shall constitute its automatic approval thereof.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 10th day of July, A. D. 1968.

RAYMOND P. SHAFER.

No. 156

AN ACT

HB 2071

Amending the act of March 17, 1899 (P. L. 10), entitled "An act authorizing the Department of Public Works, in cities of the second class, to appoint park patrolmen, making them subject to the control of such Department, and prescribing the powers of such patrolmen," changing the title of said appointees from park patrolmen to park police officers and granting to said appointees city-wide jurisdiction.

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

Section 1. The title and sections 1, 2 and 3, act of March 17, 1899 (P. L. 10), entitled "An act authorizing the Department of Public Works, in cities of the second class, to appoint park patrolmen, making them subject to the control of such Department, and prescribing the powers of such patrolmen," are amended to read:

AN ACT

Authorizing the Department of [Public Works] Parks and Recreation, in cities of the second class, to appoint park [patrolmen] policemen, making them subject to the control of such Department and the Director of the Department of Public Safety, and prescribing the powers of such [patrolmen] park policemen.