

judgment against such person: Provided, however, That this act shall not be construed in such a manner as to change, alter or amend the effect of the act of July 19, 1951 (P. L. 1130), known as the "Uniform Contribution Among Tortfeasors Act."

APPROVED—The 31st day of July, A. D. 1968.

RAYMOND P. SHAFER.

No. 285

AN ACT

HB 2339

Amending the act of June 24, 1939 (P. L. 872), entitled "An act to consolidate, amend and revise the penal laws of the Commonwealth," providing for jurisdiction in shoplifting cases.

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

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 816.1, act of June 24, 1939 (P. L. 872), known as "The Penal Code," amended November 30, 1967 (P. L. 663) is amended to read:

Section 816.1. Shoplifting.—(a) Whoever shall wilfully take possession of any goods, wares or merchandise offered for sale by any store or other mercantile establishment, with the intention of converting the same to his own use without paying the purchase price thereof, shall be guilty of shoplifting, and, upon conviction thereof in a summary proceeding, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25) and not more than five hundred dollars (\$500), or to undergo imprisonment of not less than five (5) days and not more than ninety (90) days, or both. A charge of shoplifting shall be brought before a magistrate, alderman or justice of the peace in the city, borough, town or township in which the offense was committed; however, if there is no duly elected or appointed magistrate, alderman or justice of the peace in the city, borough, town or township in which the offense was committed, then a charge of shoplifting shall be brought before a magistrate, alderman or justice of the peace in an adjacent city, borough, town or township within the same county. Any fine imposed in a summary proceeding pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be decreed to be paid to the city, borough, town or town-

ship in which the offense was committed, for the use of such city, borough, town or township.

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APPROVED—The 31st day of July, A. D. 1968.

RAYMOND P. SHAFER.

No. 286

AN ACT

HB 2342

Amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), entitled "An act relating to counties of the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," further providing for the compensation of auditors in counties of the sixth, seventh and eighth classes.

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

Section 1. So much of section 1553, as relates to county auditors, act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), known as "The County Code," amended October 11, 1967 (P. L. 433), and November 3, 1967 (P. L. 493), is amended to read:

Section 1553. Counties of the Sixth Class.—The annual salaries of the following county officers of counties of the sixth class shall be as follows:

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The county auditors shall each receive twenty dollars (\$20) for each [day necessarily employed] six hours of work in the discharge of their duties, together with ten cents (10¢) per mile circular from and to their homes once each and every day so employed.

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Section 2. So much of section 1554 as relates to county auditors of the act, amended October 11, 1967 (P. L. 431) and November 3, 1967 (P. L. 493), is amended to read:

Section 1554. Counties of the Seventh Class.—The annual salaries of the following county officers of counties of the seventh class shall be as follows:

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The county auditors shall receive twenty dollars (\$20) for each [day necessarily employed] six hours of work in the discharge of their duties, together with ten cents (10¢) per mile circular from and to their homes, once, each and every day so employed.

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Section 3. So much of section 1555 as relates to county auditors