

Section 2. The taxes and penalties collected under the provisions of this act shall be used by the school district for general public school purposes.

Section 3. The tax authorized to be levied under the provisions of this act may be levied for the tax year 1969 and for succeeding years and shall be in addition to any other taxes any school district of the first class A is empowered to levy and collect under existing law.

Section 4. The taxes which are levied under the provisions of this act shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner, with like authority, and subject to the same discounts and penalties as other real estate taxes for school purposes are collected.

Section 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

RAYMOND P. SHAFER.

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No. 341

AN ACT

SB 1767

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," removing the county surveyor as a county officer and transferring his duties to the county engineer.

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

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 401 and subsection (a) of section 450, act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), known as "The County Code," are amended to read:

Section 401. Enumeration of Elected Officers.—(a) In each county, there shall be the following officers elected by the qualified electors of the county:

(1) Three county commissioners.

(2) Three auditors or, in all counties where the office of auditor has heretofore been or shall hereafter be abolished, one controller.

(3) One treasurer.

[(4) One county surveyor.]

[(5)] 4 One coroner.

[(6)] (5) One recorder of deeds.

[(7)] (6) One prothonotary.

[(8)] (7) One clerk of the court of quarter sessions and of the court of oyer and terminer.

[(9)] (8) One clerk of the orphans' court.

[(10)] (9) One register of wills.

[(11)] (10) One sheriff.

[(12)] (11) One district attorney.

[(13)] (12) Two jury commissioners.

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Section 450. Removal of County Officers and Appointees.—(a) The county commissioners, the sheriffs, coroners, prothonotaries, registers of wills, recorders of deeds, treasurers, [surveyors,] auditors or controllers, clerks of the courts, district attorneys and any other officers of the several counties, whether elected or duly appointed to fill a vacancy, shall be removable from office only by impeachment, or by the Governor for reasonable cause after due notice and full hearing on the advice of two-thirds of the Senate, or upon conviction of misbehavior in office, or of any infamous crime in accordance with the Constitution of this Commonwealth, but their title to office may be tried by proceedings of quo warranto as provided by law.

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Section 2. Article X of the act, section 1001 thereof amended September 21, 1959 (P. L. 920), is amended to read:

#### ARTICLE X

##### [Surveyor and] Engineer

Section 1001. [County Surveyor; Qualifications; Duties and Compensation; Vacancies.—The county surveyor to be elected in each county, as hereinbefore provided, shall be a registered surveyor, or registered professional civil engineer, and shall perform all the duties assigned to him by the county commissioners or by law.

Surveyors in seventh and eighth class counties may be granted, in addition to any other fee or compensation, an allowance of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500) for maintenance of an office.

Any vacancy occasioned by death, resignation, removal or otherwise, shall be filled by the court of quarter sessions, by the appointment of a competent person, being a practical surveyor, to fill such vacancy during the balance of the unexpired term.

Section 1002.] County Engineer; Appointment; Term.—The county commissioners of any county may appoint a professional engineer in civil engineering, who shall be styled the county engineer. Such engineer shall serve at the pleasure of the commissioners.

[Section 1003.] Section 1002. Duties.—The county engineer shall:

(1) prepare plans, specifications, and estimates of all engineering work undertaken by the county, and, whenever required, shall furnish the commissioners with reports, information, or estimates on any

such work and, in general, shall perform all such duties with reference to any county engineering work as the county commissioners may from time to time prescribe;

(2) perform all duties relating to surveying as may be assigned to him by the county commissioners or by law; and

(3) perform all duties heretofore imposed on county surveyors.

Section 3. Section 1550 of the act, added January 25, 1966 (P. L. 1556), is amended to read:

Section 1550. Counties of the Third Class.—The annual salaries of the following county officers of counties of the third class shall be as follows:

The sheriff, twelve thousand four hundred eighty dollars (\$12,480).

The coroner, nine thousand one hundred twenty dollars (\$9,120).

The prothonotary, eleven thousand five hundred twenty dollars (\$11,520).

The clerk of the courts, eleven thousand five hundred twenty dollars (\$11,520).

The register of wills and ex officio clerk of the orphans' court, eight thousand seven hundred sixty dollars (\$8,760).

The recorder of deeds, eleven thousand five hundred twenty dollars (\$11,520).

The county treasurer, ten thousand eighty dollars (\$10,080).

The county controller, twelve thousand six hundred dollars (\$12,600).

[The county surveyor, where such office exists, one hundred ten dollars (\$110).]

The county commissioners, thirteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$13,500), each.

The jury commissioners, one thousand six hundred eighty dollars (\$1,680), each.

The district attorney, thirteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$13,500).

Section 4. Section 1608 of the act, amended May 15, 1956 (P. L. 1580), is amended to read:

Section 1608. Payment of Certain Officers.—The county solicitor, county jailer, county commissioners, county controller, county [surveyor or] engineer, county detectives, county treasurer, interpreter of courts, district attorney and his assistants, and in counties of the sixth, seventh and eighth classes all county officers for whom a salary is fixed by law and the deputies, clerks and employes of their respective offices, shall severally be paid bi-weekly, semi-monthly, or monthly, at the discretion of the county commissioners of the county. They shall be paid the full amount allowed them by law, but all fees and emoluments whatsoever that may accrue to any of them by virtue of his office shall be paid by him to the county treasurer as directed by law, and all other officers shall be paid the amounts assigned them by law in accordance with the provisions of this subdivision.

Section 5. The following acts and parts of acts, local, special and general, are repealed absolutely:

(1) The act of April 13, 1859 (P. L. 606), entitled "An act relating to the Fees of County Surveyors."

(2) The act of April 11, 1866 (P. L. 580), entitled "An act to increase the fees of the county surveyor of the county of Washington."

(3) The act of April 17, 1869 (P. L. 67), entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act relative to the election of Auditor General, Surveyor General and county surveyors by the people,' approved April ninth, one thousand eight hundred and fifty."

Section 6. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

RAYMOND P. SHAFER.

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No. 342

AN ACT

SB 1766

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," authorizing county treasurers to succeed themselves in office.

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

Section 1. Section 801, act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), known as "The County Code," is amended to read:

Section 801. County Treasurer; Eligibility.—No judge, clerk or prothonotary of any court, register of wills, recorder of deeds, county commissioner, or county controller shall be eligible to serve as county treasurer during their continuance in office. [No county treasurer shall be eligible for the term next succeeding the one for which he may be elected.]

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RAYMOND P. SHAFER.

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No. 343

AN ACT

SB 1765

Amending the act of July 28, 1953 (P. L. 723), entitled, as amended, "An act relating to counties of the second class and second class A; amending,