

No. 1978-334

AN ACT

SB 1606

Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the Executive Department thereof and the administrative departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof, including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative officers, and of the several administrative departments, boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards, and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the number and compensation of the deputies and all other assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and commissions shall be determined," providing transition provisions relating to the Pennsylvania Crime Commission and expressly providing for the microfilming of certain records and providing for the admission into evidence of microfilm reproductions of such records.

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

Section 1. The act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as "The Administrative Code of 1929," is amended by adding a section to read:

Section 469.1. Transition Provisions for the Pennsylvania Crime Commission.—(a) All personnel, records, files, property, supplies, equipment, contractual obligations, and the unexpended balances of any appropriations, allocations or other funds available or to be made available for use and functions of the Pennsylvania Crime Commission created by this act are hereby transferred to the Pennsylvania Crime Commission created by the "Pennsylvania Crime Commission Act."

(b) The commissioners of the Pennsylvania Crime Commission created by this act shall continue as acting commissioners of the Pennsylvania Crime Commission created by the "Pennsylvania Crime Commission Act" for the purpose of continuing investigations that were initiated pursuant to section 923 and that are within the scope of the "Pennsylvania Crime Commission Act." The investigations begun pursuant to section 923 and not discontinued or completed shall continue at the discretion of the acting commissioners or the commissioners appointed under the "Pennsylvania Crime Commission Act." The authority of the acting commissioners to exercise any powers and perform duties shall expire thirty (30) days following the taking of office by at least three commissioners appointed pursuant to the "Pennsylvania Crime Commission Act" or immediately following the organizational meeting of the commissioners at which a chairman is selected by the commissioners

from their number, whichever first occurs. The acting commissioners shall not initiate any new investigations.

(c) The rules and regulations of the Pennsylvania Crime Commission made pursuant to this act shall continue in effect as rules and regulations of the Pennsylvania Crime Commission created pursuant to the "Pennsylvania Crime Commission Act" until superseded or repealed by new rules and regulations of the commission.

(d) This section shall apply to the respective Pennsylvania Crime Commissions on and after the effective date of the act of October 4, 1978 (No.169) known as the "Pennsylvania Crime Commission Act."

(e) This section shall terminate July 1, 1983.

Section 2. Section 525 of the act is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

Section 525. * * *

The provisions of this section expressly include, but are not limited to, any returns, reports, claims or other papers pertaining to the administration, settlement, payment or collection of taxes, license fees, and other moneys or property due the Commonwealth or rebates payable. Microfilm reproductions of such papers shall be admitted into evidence in any proceedings in place of the original papers in accordance with the act of September 26, 1951 (P.L.1458, No.357), known as the "Uniform Photographic Copies of Business and Public Records as Evidence Act."

Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 26th day of November, A. D. 1978.

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