

entitled thereto, receive the benefit of the several laws of this commonwealth made for the relief of insolvent debtors, although not charged in execution.

Passed February 16, 1792. Recorded L. B. No. 4, p. 284. See the note to the Act of Assembly passed February 14, 1729-30, Chapter 315.

CHAPTER MDCVI.

A FURTHER SUPPLEMENT TO THE ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA.¹

Whereas, by the act to incorporate the city of Philadelphia, there is no provision made that the mayor, aldermen and citizens of Philadelphia may accept the resignation of any of their members, nor are they authorized to cause elections to be held to supply the vacancies which may happen from various causes: In order to prevent the inconveniences which may follow from the want of a due provision in such cases:

[Section I.] (Section I, P. L.) Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the mayor, aldermen and citizens of Philadelphia, in common council assembled, shall be, and they are hereby, authorized to receive and accept the resignations of such of their members as shall, from time to time, make the same, and that from and after their acceptance of such resignations, the persons who shall so resign and whose resignations shall be so accepted, shall no longer be members of the said corporation.

[Section II.] (Section II, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That in order to fill up any vacancy which may happen by death, resignation or otherwise, it shall and may be lawful for the mayor, or recorder, for the time being, whenever he shall be thereto required by a vote

¹ Passed March 11, 1789, Chapter 1394.

of the mayor, aldermen and citizens of Philadelphia, in common council assembled, to issue a writ, under his hand, and the seal of the said corporation, directed to the sheriff of the city and county of Philadelphia, commanding him, on such day and at such place, in the said city, as shall be therein named, to cause an election to be held for so many aldermen or common councilmen, or both, as may be necessary to supply the said vacancies, and the said sheriff is hereby enjoined and required to give public notice of the time and place of holding such elections, which shall in all other respects be held, conducted and regulated, agreeably to the directions and provisions contained in the act to incorporate the city of Philadelphia; and the judges of such elections shall make their returns of the persons who shall be chosen, as aldermen or common councilmen, to the aldermen or common councilmen for the time being, who shall have the same powers of judging of the election of members of their boards, as the act above referred to gives to them respectively; and when it shall be determined who are the persons duly elected, they shall be qualified according to the directions of the said act, and shall be aldermen and common councilmen for the city of Philadelphia, and shall be vested with all the powers, rights and authorities, which by law to them respectively do or shall belong and appertain; and shall continue to be aldermen and common councilmen until the next general election under the said law.

Passed March 8, 1792. Recorded L. B. No. 4, p. 285, etc.

CHAPTER MDCVII.

AN ACT TO REVIVE AND CONTINUE IN FORCE, FOR A LIMITED TIME, AN ACT, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO ENABLE ALIENS TO PURCHASE AND HOLD REAL ESTATES WITHIN THIS COMMONWEALTH."¹

Whereas the act, entitled "An act to enable aliens to purchase and hold real estates within this commonwealth,"¹

¹ Chapter 1387.