

PROPERTY WILLED TO THE STATE, ACCEPTANCE
Act of May 25, 1933, P.L. 1000, No. 223
AN ACT

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Providing for receipt by the Commonwealth of personal property bequeathed to the Commonwealth; providing for the vesting of title in the Commonwealth of real estate devised to the Commonwealth, the custody, repair, leasing and sale thereof by the Department of Property and Supplies with approval of the Department of Justice; and providing the payment of costs of repair of such property.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That whenever any person heretofore has or hereafter shall bequeath any personal property to the Commonwealth without attaching restrictions as to the use thereof, said bequest, or the proceeds thereof, shall be received by the Department of Revenue and transmitted to the State Treasurer for deposit in the general fund. The Department of Revenue upon the receipt thereof shall have authority to give a receipt therefor, duly acknowledged, to the personal representatives of said decedent.

Section 2. That whenever any person heretofore has or hereafter shall devise any real estate to the Commonwealth, the title to said real estate shall vest in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the custody thereof, until the same shall be sold and conveyed as hereinafter provided, shall be in the Department of Property and Supplies. Said department may dispose of said real estate, upon such terms and conditions, at either public or private sale, as the Secretary of Property and Supplies may deem advisable and the Department of Justice may approve, and, in the event of said sale, the Secretary of Property and Supplies is hereby authorized and directed to execute, acknowledge, and deliver a good and sufficient deed or other appropriate document, approved by the Department of Justice, conveying or transferring the title to said property. The Department of Property and Supplies shall be authorized to lease said real estate, upon such terms and conditions as shall be approved by the Department of Justice, during the period prior to the sale thereof. All moneys received from the sale or leasing of said real estate shall be paid into the general fund in the State Treasury through the Department of Revenue. Said Department of Property and Supplies shall have authority to make all necessary repairs to said real estate prior to the sale thereof, and the costs of said repairs shall be paid out of the appropriation to said department in the State Treasury. Any such conveyance or transfer shall be free and clear of all liens and incumbrances in favor of the Commonwealth.

Section 3. It shall be unlawful for any State officer or employe, or any member of the family of such State officer or employe, to purchase, directly or indirectly, any property acquired by the Commonwealth by devise in any last will and testament.

Section 4. This act shall become effective immediately upon

the approval by the Governor.