

SUPPLEMENTING ACT, SECOND CLASS CITIES
Act of Jul. 19, 1917, P.L. 1105, No. 369
A SUPPLEMENT

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To an act, entitled "An act for the government of cities of the second class," approved March seventh, one thousand nine hundred and one; conferring upon said cities, in cases of emergency, additional powers to purchase and store the necessities of life, including food and coal, and sell the same to the residents of said city.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That cities of the second class shall be, and they are hereby, authorized, whenever an emergency exists, to purchase and store the necessities of life, including food and coal, and to sell the same to any of the residents of said city.

Section 2. Whenever the mayor of any city of the second class shall certify in writing to the council of said city that, in his opinion, an emergency exists, and a resolution of said council to that effect shall be duly enacted in the manner provided by law, the said city shall appropriate such sum or sums of money as may, from time to time, be considered necessary and advisable, to purchase the necessities of life, including food and coal.

All matters relating to the purchase thereof, the storage, sale or disposal thereof, shall be under the control, direction, and supervision of the Department of Supplies, subject to such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the council of said city or the department. The prices to be charged for said necessities of life, including food and coal, shall be such as to return to the city upon the entire transaction as near as may be the actual cost to the city of the purchase, storage, and disposal of the said necessities of life.

Section 3. The said emergency shall be deemed to have terminated whenever a resolution shall be duly enacted to the effect that the said emergency no longer exists; and thereupon the Department of Supplies shall proceed with the sale of the remaining stock on hand to the best advantage, selling the same at such prices as will, as near as may be, returned to the city the actual costs and expenses involved in such transaction; and the amount received herefrom shall be returned to the city treasurer, to make restitution for the amounts theretofore appropriated for said purposes.

Section 4. Contracts made under the authority of this act may be let without previous advertisement and competitive bidding, as now required by law.