

ORGANIZATION OF POLICE FORCE FOR BOROUGH OF HAZLETON

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An Act

For the organization of a police force for the borough of
Hazleton.

Section 1. 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 from and after the passage of this act it shall be the duty of the chief burgess of the borough of Hazleton, county of Luzerne, and state of Pennsylvania, on the approval of the town council, to appoint a suitable number of policemen for the protection of person and property, for the preservation of peace and for the execution of criminal process.

Section 2. That the said town council shall have power to make such rules and regulations, respecting said police, as may be required from time to time, and to dismiss or remove, for cause, any such policemen, and appoint others in their stead; also, to appropriate fines recovered in violation of the ordinances of the borough, or make such other provisions for the payment of said police as may be deemed advisable or judicious by said town council.

Section 3. That the policemen appointed by virtue of this act shall possess the like powers and authority of constables, for the preservation of the peace and for the arrest of offenders against the laws of the commonwealth, and for the execution of all criminal process directed to them, and to receive like fees for their services, and be subject to the same restrictions and penalties as now by law exist.

Section 4. That the certificate of the president of said town council, with the corporate seal of said borough of Hazleton, attested by the chief burgess, shall be considered competent evidence of the appointment and authority of such police in all legal proceedings.