ESCHEATS OF PUBLIC WORK RIGHTS

Act of Jul. 2, 1937, P.L. 2778, No. 573 AN ACT

Declaring forfeitures of Commonwealth grants of public works, canals, rights, and privileges, where the conditions, covenants, or terms of such grants have been or shall hereafter be breached by disuse or otherwise by the owners or holders thereof; authorizing the Attorney General to institute appropriate actions to enforce the provisions of this act; and ratifying any and all such pending proceedings.

WHEREAS, The Commonwealth has heretofore made grants of public works, canals, rights, and privileges, to divers individuals, associations, and corporations; and

WHEREAS, Where the conditions, covenants, and terms of such grants have been or shall hereafter be breached by disuse or otherwise by the owners or holders thereof, the public interests require a forfeiture of such grants.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That all Commonwealth grants of public works, canals, rights, and privileges, are hereby declared forfeited where the conditions, covenants, or terms of such grants have been or shall hereafter be breached by disuse or otherwise by the owners or holders thereof.

Section 2. The Attorney General is hereby authorized and directed to institute appropriate action or actions to enforce the forfeitures declared in section one hereof.

Section 3. Any and all pending proceedings to enforce the forfeitures declared in section one hereof, instituted by the Attorney General prior to the passage of this act, are hereby ratified and approved, and he is authorized and directed to proceed in such action or actions.

Section 4. This act shall become effective immediately upon its final enactment.