## CANAL PROPERTIES, ACQUISITION OF Act of Jun. 21, 1939, P.L. 622, No. 291

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AN ACT

Authorizing the Secretary of Forests and Waters, with approval of the Governor, to accept and acquire by gift, grant or other lawful means certain canal properties.

Compiler's Note: Section 303(b) of Act 18 of 1995, which created the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and renamed the Department of Environmental Resources as the Department of Environmental Protection, provided that the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources shall exercise the powers and duties conferred upon the Secretary of Forests and Waters by Act 291 of 1939.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The Secretary of Forests and Waters, with the approval of the Governor, is hereby authorized to acquire, in the name of the Commonwealth, by gift, grant or other lawful means, the right, title and interest of the owners in and to any part of the property formerly constituting the system of any canal or canals located wholly within this Commonwealth whose use as highways for transportation by water has ceased or been abandoned or shall cease or become abandoned, together with any real estate adjacent to such canal or canals formerly used in connection therewith which the Secretary of Forests and Waters may deem desirable: Provided, however, That no consideration shall be paid to the owners of such property for any grants that may be made under the provisions of this act.

Section 2. The Secretary of Forests and Waters shall supervise, maintain, improve, regulate, police and preserve any such property so acquired as and for State park purposes.