

OPINION NO. 31-C

Legislature—Senate—Constitutionality of Senate Bills Nos. 32, 33 and 34, Extraordinary Session of 1931.

The Attorney General advises the President of the Senate regarding the constitutionality of Senate Bills Nos. 32 to 34 inclusive, Extraordinary Session of 1931.

Department of Justice,
Harrisburg, Pa., December 7, 1931.

Honorable Edward C. Shannon, President of the Senate, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Sir: In accordance with the Senate's Motion of November ninth, I take pleasure in giving the Senate, through you, my opinion regarding the constitutionality of the bills introduced in the Senate last week.

Senate Bill No. 32 amending the Act of June 26, 1931, P. L. 1403, by Extending for Three Years the Period within which Cities of the First Class May Make Emergency Loans for Unemployment Relief. Subject No. 2 of the Governor's original proclamation convening the Special Session is "Authorizing counties, cities, boroughs, townships and poor districts during the year one thousand nine hundred thirty-two to negotiate emergency loans for unemployment relief * * * and authorizing such loans to be refunded under certain circumstances annually for a certain period." In my opinion a bill which would authorize emergency loans for unemployment relief to be made during the years 1932, 1933 and 1934 does not come within this subject and cannot validly be passed at this Session.

Senate Bill No. 33. The same except in minor details as Senate Bill No. 32. For the reasons stated in discussing Senate Bill No. 32, this bill cannot, in my opinion, be validly enacted at this Session.

Senate Bill No. 34 proposes an amendment to the constitution and can validly be passed at this Session.

Very truly yours,

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
WM. A. SCHNADER,
Attorney General.

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