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Readers of the Journal will recall that the Autumn 1949 number was devoted primarily to a survey of the legislation enacted by the Ninety-Eighth General Assembly of Ohio. It is believed that the pioneer survey was of real value to the profession—of such value as to call for its continuance. The Journal is, accordingly, pleased to present in this issue a survey of the enactments of the Ninety-Ninth General Assembly of Ohio.

It is evident that timeliness has much to do with the value of a venture of this sort. With that in mind, the Journal has completed the current survey in time for publication in the Summer, 1951 number. It is no inconsiderable task to prepare material of this character and the upshot has been that the 1951 Summer issue will be a little late in publication. Even so, the survey will, on this basis, reach members of the bar and other interested persons in timely fashion.

The current survey follows the pattern of the initial effort. Notice is taken of all of the two hundred forty-two acts which were finally enacted and not effectively vetoed, with the exception of appropriation measures and some statutes of but local interest. A number of statutes have been considered of sufficient interest, or difficulty, or both, to call for somewhat extended comment. These comments constitute the first part of the survey. The remainder of the material is in digest form, under an alphabetical arrangement by subject matter.

Mr. George W. Stuhldreher and Mr. William E. Rance, serving in the capacity of research assistants on the staff of the College of Law, and Mr. Frank E. Kane, serving as editor-in-chief of the Journal, deserve great credit for their splendid work on the survey. Mr. C. William Malone, Mr. Earl E. Miller, Mr. James D. Primm, Jr., Mr. Thomas T. Taggart and Mr. George R. Walker, all members of the student editorial board of the Journal made very substantial contributions to the survey by preparing much of the digest material. The Journal is greatly indebted to Mr. Arthur A. Schwartz, Director of the Legislative Reference Bureau of Ohio, for his characteristically fine cooperation in assisting the Journal staff in following the course of proposed legislation during the legislative session.

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