

hold the office of clerk of courts for the county of Essex, in consideration of the faithful services rendered by him to the said county as clerk of the Haverhill police court, of the superior court and of the supreme judicial court for the said county, covering a period of thirty-eight years.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the county commissioners of the county of Essex.

Acceptance by  
Essex county  
commissioners.

*Approved March 11, 1918.*

[1901, 504; 1906, 164.]

AN ACT TO CONSOLIDATE THE WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENTS OF THE TOWN OF AMESBURY. Chap. 78

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

SECTION 1. The board of water commissioners and the board of sewer commissioners of the town of Amesbury are hereby abolished, and the powers and duties of the said boards shall hereafter pertain to a new board of three members to be known as the water and sewer department, which shall in all respects be the successor of the boards hereby abolished. The members of the said department shall be nominated and elected by the town in the same manner as other town officers. Those first elected shall hold office for one, two, and three years, respectively, as the voters shall designate, and thereafter as the term of each member expires, his successor shall be chosen for a term of three years.

Town of  
Amesbury,  
water and  
sewer  
departments  
consolidated.

SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted to the voters of the town at the annual town meeting for the current year, or at any subsequent meeting called for the purpose, and if accepted by a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon, shall take effect upon the election of the members of said department at the annual town election next following such acceptance.

To be sub-  
mitted to  
voters, etc.

*Approved March 11, 1918.*

AN ACT RELATIVE TO PENSIONING CALL MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE TOWN OF ARLINGTON. Chap. 79

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

SECTION 1. The selectmen of the town of Arlington, upon the recommendation of the engineers of the fire department, shall retire from active service and pension any call member of the said department whom the town physician certifies in writing to be permanently disabled, mentally or physically, from further performing duty as such member,

Town of  
Arlington may  
retire and  
pension  
certain call  
firemen.

by reason of injuries sustained or illness incurred through no fault of his in the actual performance of duty; and any call member of said department who has performed faithful service therein for not less than twenty-five years, if in the judgment of the board of selectmen such member is disabled for useful service in the department: *provided, however,* that any call member who has performed faithful service for a term of twenty-five years and has attained the age of sixty years shall be retired upon his own request.

Proviso.

Pensions.

SECTION 2. The said town shall pay to retired call firemen certified by the town physician as disabled under the provisions of section one the same pension payable to retired permanent firemen who performed similar duties. To all others retired under this act, it shall pay pensions equal to one half their annual compensation during their last year of service. All pensions hereunder shall be paid monthly.

To be submitted to voters, etc.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the town of Arlington at a meeting called for the purpose by vote of two thirds of the voters present and voting thereon.

*Approved March 11, 1918.*

**Chap. 80** AN ACT TO PROVIDE A SATURDAY HALF-HOLIDAY FOR LABORERS AND OTHERS EMPLOYED BY THE CITY OF WALTHAM.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

City of Waltham, Saturday half-holiday for certain employees.

SECTION 1. Laborers, teamsters and mechanics employed by the city of Waltham shall hereafter receive a half-holiday on Saturday without loss of pay.

To be submitted to voters, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the said city at the city election in the current year in the form of the following question to be placed on the official ballot: "Shall the laborers, teamsters and mechanics employed by the city of Waltham receive a half-holiday on Saturdays without loss of pay?"

YES	
NO	

When act takes effect.

If a majority of the votes cast on said question are in the affirmative, this act shall thereupon take effect, but not otherwise.

*[Approved March 11, 1918.]*

**Chap. 81** AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF BOSTON TO PAY AN ANNUITY TO THE WIDOW OF JOSEPH C. REISER.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

City of Boston may pay an annuity to

SECTION 1. The city of Boston may pay a sum not exceeding seventy-five dollars a month to Florence R. Reiser, the