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If, pursuant to paragraph (d) of section 2 of chapter 32B of the General Laws, the board of selectmen of the town of Sterling allows elected town officials whose duties require less than 20 hours work per week as said board may determine to participate in said town's group insurance program, such officials shall pay 100 per cent of the premiums.

Approved November 12, 1998.

Chapter 384. AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PITTSFIELD TO LEASE A CERTAIN PARCEL OF COMMERCIAL LAND.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 1 and 3 of chapter 40 of the General Laws, the city of Pittsfield may lease a certain parcel of commercial land for a term of 30 years for the development of the downtown area of said city. The leased premises are more particularly shown on a plan of land entitled "Exhibit A Proposed Lease Area of City of Pittsfield Former England Brothers Parcel & Adjacent Parking Area" drawn by the city engineer of said city and dated June 8, 1998, which is on file with the department of public works of said city.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved November 12, 1998.

Chapter 385. AN ACT EXEMPTING THE POSITION OF SCHOOL NURSE IN THE TOWN OF FRANKLIN FROM THE CIVIL SERVICE LAW.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The position of school nurse in the public schools of the town of Franklin shall be exempt from the provisions of chapter 31 of the General Laws.

SECTION 2. The provisions of section 1 shall not impair the civil service status of any person holding the position of school nurse on September 1, 1997.

Approved November 12, 1998.

Chapter 386. AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO FUND A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MIDDLESEX SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND THE MIDDLESEX SHERIFF'S SUPERIOR OFFICERS ASSOCIATION.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. To provide for certain collective bargaining costs, including the costs of salary adjustments and other economic benefits authorized by the collective bargaining agreement between the Middlesex sheriff's office and the Middlesex Sheriff's Superior Officers Association, the sum set forth in section 2 is hereby appropriated from the Collective Bargaining Reserve Fund, subject to the provisions of law regulating the disbursement of public funds and the conditions pertaining to appropriations in chapter 194 of the acts of 1998.

SECTION 2.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE.

Reserves.

1599-3879 For a reserve to meet the costs for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 of salary adjustments and other economic benefits authorized by the collective bargaining agreement between the Middlesex sheriff's office and the Middlesex Sheriff's Superior Officers Association and to meet the costs for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 of salary adjustments and other economic benefits necessary to provide equal salary adjustments and benefits to employees employed in "confidential" positions which otherwise would be covered by said agreement; provided, that the personnel administrator, with the approval of the secretary of administration and finance, shall determine such salary adjustments and benefits for such "confidential" employees in accordance with the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement then in effect which otherwise would cover said positions; provided further, that said secretary may transfer from the sum appropriated herein to other items of appropriation and allocations thereof for fiscal year 1999 such amounts as may be necessary to meet such costs where the amounts otherwise available are insufficient for the purpose, in accordance with a transfer plan which shall be filed in advance with the house and senate committees on ways and means; and provided further, that notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, the comptroller shall charge to the Collective Bargaining Reserve Fund expenditures from the accounts which receive transfers from this item in amounts equal to the amounts of such transfers \$461,000

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved November 12, 1998.