

For printing and binding the annual report, a sum not exceeding eighteen hundred dollars. Annual report.

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

*Approved July 10, 1911.*

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES. Chap.653

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

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for salaries and expenses of the commissioner of weights and measures for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and eleven, to wit: — Appropriations.

For the salary of the commissioner, two thousand dollars. Commissioner of weights and measures.

For the salaries of inspectors, six thousand dollars. Inspectors.

For clerical services, travel and contingent office expenses, a sum not exceeding seventy-four hundred and eighty dollars. Clerical services.

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

*Approved July 10, 1911.*

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF AMHERST TO REFUND CERTAIN NOTES. Chap.654

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

SECTION 1. For the purpose of paying certain outstanding notes amounting to sixteen thousand dollars, the town of Amherst is hereby authorized to borrow the said sum and to issue notes or bonds therefor. Such notes or bonds shall be for sixteen hundred dollars each, payable one each year in the years nineteen hundred and twelve to nineteen hundred and twenty-one, both inclusive. The notes or bonds shall be signed by the treasurer and countersigned by the selectmen, or by a majority thereof, and shall bear interest not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum. The money required to pay the interest on said notes or bonds in each year, and that part of the principal which becomes due in that year, shall be raised by taxation in the The town of Amherst may refund certain notes.

same manner in which the other expenses of the town are provided for.

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

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*Chap. 655* AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE PROTECTION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH  
IN THE VALLEY OF THE NEPONSET RIVER.

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

Protection  
of the public  
health in the  
valley of the  
Neponset  
river.

SECTION 1. The state board of health is hereby authorized and directed to expend a sum not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, exclusive of damages to land, easements and rights in land, in constructing necessary drains, trenches and ditches, and in dredging and deepening the channel of the Neponset river between the place where the river is crossed by Washington street in Walpole and tide water, and within said limits to make changes and alterations in any bridge, dam or other structure over, under or across said waters, and to do any other work, except as hereinafter stated, which will tend to restore the lands along said river to their original condition, and to abate malaria and other peril to the public health.

Manner in  
which work  
shall be done.

The work herein provided for shall be done substantially in accordance with the plan set forth in the report made by the state board of health to the legislature at the session of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven; and it shall extend over three years, commencing in the year nineteen hundred and eleven, and one third of said work, as nearly as may be, shall be done each year.

Prescriptive  
right not  
to be gained.

SECTION 2. If any person or corporation shall obtain an additional water power or water supply in consequence of the doing of the work herein contemplated, such person or corporation shall not gain any prescriptive right to the use of such additional water power or water supply, or be entitled to any compensation therefor if such additional water power or water supply shall hereafter be taken for public use; and no person or corporation, in the event of any subsequent taking of any water power or water supply, or the removal of any dam or flashboards, or the reducing or lowering of the height of any dam, or changing the dimensions thereof, within the limits aforesaid, shall be entitled to any compensation for such additional water power or water supply; and no person or corporation shall be allowed hereafter compensation for any increased value to his or