

struction of state highways binding the commonwealth to an amount not in excess of twenty-five per cent of the amount appropriated during the preceding fiscal year for the same purposes, such contracts to provide for the completion of the work thereunder within the fiscal year in which they are made. *Approved May 26, 1937.*

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE SALARIES OF THE CLERKS AND ASSISTANT CLERKS OF THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND TO CLERICAL ASSISTANCE IN THE OFFICES OF SAID CLERKS.

*Chap. 360*

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

SECTION 1. Chapter three of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section twelve, as appearing in the Tercenary Edition, and inserting in place thereof the following:—*Section 12.* The clerk of the senate and the clerk of the house of representatives shall each receive a salary graded by length of service as follows:— First three years, four thousand dollars; fourth to sixth years, inclusive, five thousand dollars; and thereafter, six thousand dollars; provided, that, if an assistant clerk of the senate or house of representatives is elected clerk of either branch, his service as said assistant clerk shall, for the purpose of grading his salary as clerk, be credited as service as clerk. Each such clerk shall hold office until his successor is qualified.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 3, § 12, amended.

Salaries of clerk of Senate and House of Representatives.

SECTION 2. Said chapter three is hereby further amended by striking out section thirteen, as so appearing, and inserting in place thereof the following:—*Section 13.* The clerks of the senate and house of representatives, subject to the approval of the senate and house, respectively, may each appoint an assistant clerk who, in the absence of the clerk, shall perform his duties unless a temporary clerk is chosen. Each clerk may remove the assistant clerk appointed by him. The salary of each of the assistant clerks shall be graded by length of service as follows:— First three years, thirty-five hundred dollars; fourth to sixth years, inclusive, four thousand dollars; and thereafter, forty-five hundred dollars. The clerk of the senate may also employ necessary clerical assistance at an annual expense of not more than twenty-five hundred dollars, and the clerk of the house of representatives may also employ necessary clerical assistance at an annual expense of not more than sixty-eight hundred dollars.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 3, § 13, amended.

Appointment, salaries and tenure of office of assistant clerks and clerical assistants.

SECTION 3. Chapter three hundred and twenty-two of the acts of nineteen hundred and twenty-eight and chapter one hundred and eighty-one of the acts of nineteen hundred and thirty-two are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. The service of the present clerk of the senate as assistant clerk of the senate shall, for the purpose of grading his salary under this act, be considered as service as clerk of the senate.

SECTION 5. This act shall become operative when sufficient appropriations therefor have been made, and then as of January first of the current year.

*Approved May 26, 1937.*

*Chap. 361* AN ACT GRANTING THE CONSENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH TO THE ACQUISITION BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA OF CERTAIN LANDS FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION FACILITY IN THE TOWN OF BEDFORD.

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

SECTION 1. The consent of the commonwealth is hereby granted to the acquisition by the United States of America, by purchase or condemnation, for the site of the Veterans' Administration Facility in the town of Bedford, of a certain tract of land situated in said town and formerly owned by Philip F. Coleman, and of certain additional lands formerly owned by the Estate of John R. Comley, adjoining the site of the Veterans' hospital in said town, a more particular description of said lands being shown on a plan thereof, dated May twentieth, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven, and on file in the office of the state secretary.

SECTION 2. Jurisdiction over the said land is hereby granted and ceded to the United States of America, but upon the express condition that the commonwealth shall retain concurrent jurisdiction with the United States of America in and over the land so acquired, in so far that all civil processes, and such criminal processes as may issue under the authority of the commonwealth against any person or persons charged with crimes committed without said land, may be executed thereon in the same manner as though this consent and cession had not been granted.

*Approved May 26, 1937.*

*Chap. 362* AN ACT CHANGING THE POSITION IN THE GENERAL LAWS OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO BAKERIES.

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

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 94, § 1, etc., amended.

SECTION 1. Section one of chapter ninety-four of the General Laws, as amended, is hereby further amended by striking out, in the nineteenth line, as printed in the Tercentenary Edition, the word "eight" and inserting in place thereof the following:— nine M,— so that the paragraph defining "Bakery" will read as follows:—

"Bakery" defined.

"Bakery", in sections two to nine M, inclusive, a building or part of a building wherein is carried on the production, preparation, packing, storing, display or sale of bread, cake, pies or other bakery products, including any separate room used for the convenience or accommodation of workers.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 94, § 6, amended.

SECTION 2. Section six of said chapter ninety-four, as appearing in the Tercentenary Edition, is hereby amended