

No fee shall be required in any action brought in a district court by the attorney general nor shall any fee be required for the removal from a district court of an action defended by the attorney general.

Approved March 2, 1961.

Chap. 150. AN ACT MAKING PERMANENT CERTAIN POSITIONS IN THE LABOR SERVICE IN CITIES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 31 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 46K the following section: — *Section 46L.* Every year round temporary position in the labor service of cities in which such service is classified under the civil service laws and rules and for which compensation has been duly paid for a continuous period of two years shall be deemed to be a permanent position. Certification to fill such positions shall first be made of persons with experience in the department as set forth in the civil service rules. If a person who has had temporary service as a result of civil service certification for at least two years receives a permanent appointment in the same department in which he had such temporary employment, he shall not be subject to a probationary period.

This section shall take effect in a city upon its acceptance by vote of the city council, subject to the provisions of its charter.

SECTION 2. The provisions of section forty-six L of chapter thirty-one of the General Laws, inserted by section one of this act shall apply to any position for which compensation has been duly paid for a continuous period of two years or more immediately preceding January first, nineteen hundred and sixty-one. *Approved March 2, 1961.*

Chap. 151. AN ACT REQUIRING A REHEARING ON PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENTS ON WHICH A CITY COUNCIL HAS NOT TAKEN FINAL ACTION WITHIN NINETY DAYS OF THE ORIGINAL HEARING THEREON.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 6 of chapter 40A of the General Laws, as most recently amended by section 1 of chapter 317 of the acts of 1959, is hereby further amended by adding at the end the following sentence: — If a city council fails to take final action thereon within ninety days after its hearing, it shall not act thereon until after it holds a subsequent hearing advertised as above provided. *Approved March 2, 1961.*

Chap. 152. AN ACT RELATING TO THE INDEMNIFICATION BY CITIES AND TOWNS OF CERTAIN RETIRED POLICE OFFICERS AND FIRE FIGHTERS FOR HOSPITAL, MEDICAL AND SURGICAL EXPENSES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 100B of chapter 41 of the General Laws, inserted by section 1 of chapter 628 of the acts of 1953, is hereby amended

by striking out clause (4) and inserting in place thereof the following clause: — (4) that the hospital, medical and surgical services to which such expenses relate were rendered within six months before the filing of the application.

SECTION 2. This act shall apply to applications filed under said section one hundred B subsequent to January first, nineteen hundred and sixty.

Approved March 2, 1961.

Chap. 153. AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PENALTY FOR OBTAINING TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE FRAUDULENTLY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Chapter 166 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 42 the following section: — *Section 42A.* Whoever, with intent to defraud, obtains, or attempts to obtain, or aids or abets another in obtaining, any telecommunications service by any false representation, false statement, or stratagem, by unauthorized charging to the account of another, by installing or tampering with any facilities or equipment or by any other means, shall be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than thirty days, or both.

Approved March 2, 1961.

Chap. 154. AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF STURBRIDGE TO CONVEY CERTAIN LAND TO THE FEDERATED CHURCH OF STURBRIDGE AND FISKDALE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The town of Sturbridge is hereby authorized to sell and convey to the Federated Church of Sturbridge and Fiskdale a certain parcel of park land in said town bounded and described as follows: — Beginning at a stone bound on the easterly line of Maple Street distant about 72 feet N. 30° 40' 11" E. from the intersection of the northerly line of Main Street; thence S. 64° 47' 49" E. by land of the Town of Sturbridge 146.72 feet to a stone bound; thence N. 25° 42' 11" E. by land of the Town of Sturbridge 109.20 feet to a stone bound on the westerly line of Morse Street; thence N. 15° 05' 09" W. by the westerly line of Morse Street 77.73 feet to a stone bound; thence along a curve to the left having a radius of 47.7 feet a distance of 111.0 feet to a stone bound on the easterly line of Maple Street; thence S. 30° 40' 11" W. by the westerly line of Maple Street 142.70 feet to the point of beginning. Containing about .53 acre. The deed conveying said land shall provide that all right, title and interest therein shall revert to and revest in said town at any time said land ceases to be used by said church for its purposes.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by majority vote of the voters of the town of Sturbridge at an annual or special town meeting called for the purpose.

Approved March 2, 1961.