

Chap. 580. AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE BOARDS OF TRUSTEES OF THE SOLDIERS' HOMES TO LEASE LAND AT SAID HOMES FOR CONSTRUCTION OF CHAPELS THEREON.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Chapter 115A of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding after section 7, inserted by section 1 of chapter 387 of the acts of 1960, the following section:— *Section 8.* The Soldiers' Homes, after a determination and approval of the trustees of the respective Homes, that it is in the best interest of the patients, may lease, upon such terms and conditions as may be stipulated by said trustees, sufficient land belonging to such Soldiers' Home for the purpose of constructing thereon chapels for the use of the patients or members of said Home. The lease shall remain in full force and effect so long as a chapel for said patients is maintained thereon and so long as it shall be maintained in a physical condition satisfactory to the superintendent and the trustees of said Home.

The trustees shall select the lessees in each case, and the design and location of each chapel shall be subject to the approval of the trustees.

Nothing contained herein shall be construed to deprive any patient, regardless of his religious belief, of an equal opportunity to worship in accordance with said belief, and adequate facilities for such worship shall be made available to all patients by the superintendent.

Approved May 27, 1961.

Chap. 581. AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE INSPECTION PERIOD FOR MOTOR VEHICLES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 7A of chapter 90 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence, as most recently amended by chapter 416 of the acts of 1951, and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:— The registrar shall include in the rules and regulations prepared by him under section thirty-one, rules and regulations providing for the periodic inspection of all motor vehicles and trailers between April first and May fifteenth and between September first and October fifteenth, all dates inclusive, in each year, for the purpose of determining whether they are provided with the following equipment maintained in good order, to wit:— brakes, lights, horn, muffler, steering gear, windshield, windshield cleaner and number plates, and rear windows, and also rules and regulations in respect to school buses, providing, in place of the periodic inspections hereinbefore referred to, for the inspection of those not subject to the jurisdiction of the department of public utilities, during the first week of the months of January, March, May, September and November in each year.

Approved May 27, 1961.

Chap. 582. AN ACT RELATIVE TO QUALIFICATIONS OF CERTAIN ABSENTEE VOTERS IN PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The first paragraph of section 1 of chapter 51 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by section 19 of chapter 627 of the acts of 1954, is hereby further amended by adding at the end the