

board plus additional votes and fractions thereof determined by multiplying one and one half times the total number of cities and towns in the county by a fraction of which the numerator shall be the total amount of all assessments made by the state treasurer to such city or town for expenses of county government and the denominator shall be the total amount of all assessments made by the state treasurer to all such cities and towns. The total vote of each city or town shall be determined by the director of accounts and delivered in writing to the advisory board thirty days after the state treasurer has sent his warrants for payments to the cities and towns. The determination of votes shall be based upon the most recent annual assessment.

The advisory board prior to the submission of estimates of receipts and expenditures by the county clerk to the director of accounts may make recommendations concerning such expenditures and said recommendations shall be reported to the director and county treasurer by the clerk of the county commissioners. The advisory board may make recommendations concerning any proposed expenditures in whole or in part, at a meeting called by the representative or representatives of cities and towns having five per cent or more of the votes of the advisory board. The advisory board shall act by a majority vote, except that it may delegate its power of approval to an executive committee formed and elected pursuant to duly adopted by-laws of the board and constituting among its members at least one half of the total vote of the board, and may, at any time, revoke such delegation.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on July first, nineteen hundred and seventy-four.

Approved December 7, 1973.

Chap. 1167. AN ACT ESTABLISHING A DIAGNOSTIC, EVALUATION AND TREATMENT CENTER FOR EMPHYSEMA AT THE LEMUEL SHATTUCK HOSPITAL.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 69E of chapter 111 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by section 7 of chapter 517 of the acts of 1963, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word "hospital", the second time it appears in line 14, the words: — , and, subject to appropriation he shall establish a diagnostic, evaluation and treatment center for emphysema which is to include professional education and training at the Lemuel Shattuck Hospital.

Approved December 7, 1973.

Chap. 1168. AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 17 of chapter 6 of the General Laws is