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ordinary business hours to their respective duties and shall not, directly or indirectly, engage in the practice of law.

SECTION 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding section one of this act, the tenure of any assistant clerk of the appeals court who shall have served in said office for a period of two years prior to the effective date of this act shall be unlimited until he attains age seventy and he shall hold office during good behavior, unless incapacitated by mental or physical disability from performing his duties; provided, however, that he may be removed for just cause after due notice and hearing in the manner provided by section forty-three of chapter thirty-one of the General Laws.

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Chap. 412. AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ORDERLY DISTRIBUTION OF STATE PUBLICATIONS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 5 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 6 the following section:-

Section 6A. Each state agency shall also provide two copies of its publication, as defined in section thirty-nine of chapter six to the state secretary, one of which shall be retained for two years as a reference copy. The state secretary shall determine which publications are of sufficient public interest and may then either reproduce the publications in appropriate quantities or acquire the publications in appropriate quantities directly from the issuing agency, at the cost of printing, for distribution by said secretary.

SECTION 2. Chapter 6 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 39 and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 39. As used in sections thirty-nine to thirty-nine B, inclusive, the following words shall have the following meanings, unless the context otherwise requires:-

"Agency", each agency, office, state-supported institution of higher education, department, authority, executive office, bureau, officer, board, committee, task force, commission, special commission, division, executive office of the commonwealth, whether permanent or temporary in nature, including any state agency supported wholly or in part by public funds.

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"Publication", any document, study, rule, regulation, report, directory, pamphlet, brochure, periodical, newsletter, bibliography, microphotographic form, tape or disc recording, annual, biennial or special report, statistical compendium, or other printed material regardless of its format or manner of duplication, issued in the name of or at the request of any agency of the commonwealth regardless of the source of funding, provided they constitute "public records" as defined in clause Twenty-sixth of section seven of chapter four, excepting correspondence, blank forms, and university press publications.

"Regional public libraries", those libraries as defined in section nineteen C of chapter seventy-eight. These definitions shall not include any records of the general court.

SECTION 3. Said chapter 6 is hereby further amended by striking out section 39A, inserted by chapter 259 of the acts of 1966, and inserting in place thereof the following two sections:-

Section 39A. (1) In order that all state publications of the commonwealth are preserved and made available for the use of citizens of the state, the state library is hereby designated as the depository library for Massachusetts state publications.

(2) The state library shall maintain a complete collection of Massachusetts state publications, both current and historic.

(3) A depository library system, providing for the distribution of state documents to the Library of Congress and to each of the regional public libraries in the state shall be established and maintained by the state library.

Section 39B. Each state agency shall furnish the state library eight copies of its publications. Said copies shall be forwarded to the state library no later than five working days after they are received from the printer or contractor. The state library shall make three copies available for public consultation in the library and for permanent historic preservation by the library. The others shall be provided to the Library of Congress and to each of the state's regional public libraries.

Approved December 27, 1984.

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Chap. 413. AN ACT TRANSFERRING THE CAPITOL POLICE TO THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND ESTABLISHING A DEPARTMENT OF CAPITOL POLICE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 18 of chapter 6A of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the first paragraph, as most recently amended by section 8 of chapter 702 of the acts of