

fixed by ordinance at a sum not to exceed six hundred and fifty dollars per annum.

SECTION 2. There shall be placed upon the official ballot to be used at the biennial municipal election in said city in the current year the following question:— "Shall the salary of each councilman of the city of Taunton be fixed by ordinance at a sum not to exceed six hundred and fifty dollars per annum?" If a majority of the votes in answer to said question is in the affirmative, this act shall thereupon take full effect, but not otherwise. *Approved April 2, 1951.*

*Chap. 194* AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE CLOSE SEASON ON EDIBLE CRABS.

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

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 130, § 40, etc., amended.

Close season on edible crabs.

Chapter 130 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 40, as appearing in section 1 of chapter 598 of the acts of 1941, and inserting in place thereof the following:— *Section 40.* No person, either as principal, agent or employee, shall between December first and the following April thirtieth, both dates inclusive, take or catch edible crabs, by the use of traps or otherwise, from the coastal waters. Violation of the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars. *Approved April 2, 1951.*

*Chap. 195* AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE BENEFITS OF GROUP LIFE INSURANCE.

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

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 175, § 133, etc., amended.

Clause (e) of section 133 of chapter 175 of the General Laws, inserted by section 1 of chapter 676 of the acts of 1949, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 23 and 24, the words "and not less than an average of twenty-five persons for each employer unit". *Approved April 2, 1951.*

*Chap. 196* AN ACT REQUIRING BLINKER LIGHTS ON SCHOOL BUSES.

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

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 90, § 7B, etc., amended.

Blinker lights on school buses.

SECTION 1. Section 7B of chapter 90 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after clause (6), inserted by section 1 of chapter 459 of the acts of 1950, the following clause:—

(7) Each school bus shall be equipped with front and rear blinker lights of a type to be approved by the registrar, which shall be left flashing when children are entering or leaving said bus.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 90, § 14, etc., amended.

Motor vehicles shall be brought to a stop in certain instances.

SECTION 2. Section 14 of said chapter 90, as most recently amended by section 6 of chapter 502 of the acts of 1950, is hereby further amended by striking out the third sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:— When approaching a vehicle which displays a sign bearing the words "SCHOOL BUS" and is equipped with front and

rear blinker lights which are flashing as provided in section seven B, and which has been stopped to allow passengers to alight from or board the same, a person operating a motor vehicle shall, except when approaching from the opposite direction on a divided highway, bring his vehicle to a full stop immediately before passing said other vehicle and shall not thereafter proceed at a rate of speed in excess of ten miles per hour while passing said other vehicle.

*Approved April 2, 1951.*

AN ACT RELATIVE TO LAND TAKINGS IN CONNECTION WITH THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE MERIDIAN STREET BRIDGE BETWEEN EAST BOSTON AND CHELSEA, AND THE APPROACHES THERETO. Chap. 197

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

For the purpose of reconstructing the Meridian street bridge, between East Boston and Chelsea, and the approaches thereto, the city of Boston may acquire by eminent domain under chapter seventy-nine or chapter eighty A of the General Laws, and hold, land within the limits of the city of Chelsea; provided, however, that no land within said limits on which any building with a dwelling unit is located may be so acquired; and provided, further, that no land may be so acquired north of the intersection of Marginal, Williams and Pearl streets in the city of Chelsea. Section seven A of chapter fifty-nine of the General Laws shall not apply to land so acquired and held by the city of Boston; but such land shall be wholly exempt from taxation.

*Approved April 2, 1951.*

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF WINCHENDON TO SELL AND CONVEY A PORTION OF CERTAIN LAND HELD BY IT FOR PARK PURPOSES. Chap. 198

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

SECTION 1. The town of Winchendon, by its board of selectmen, may sell and convey to Eugene M. Connor Post #193, American Legion, for a nominal sum, and under such terms and conditions as it may impose, free and clear from any obligations to use the same for park purposes, a certain parcel of land situate on Pleasant street in said town, and more particularly bounded and described as follows: — Beginning at an iron pin on the westerly line of Pleasant street at a point one hundred and fifty-two feet northerly from the intersection of Front and Pleasant streets; thence N. 48° 50' W. two hundred and thirty-three feet, more or less, to an iron pin at land formerly of Sophia M. Whitney; thence turning and running N. 17° 35' E. along said Whitney land two hundred and sixty feet to a stone bound at land of Antonellis, formerly Nash; thence turning and running S. 48° 50' E. one hundred and forty-eight and five-tenths feet to a stone