

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE RIGHTS OF CREDITORS AND ADMINISTRATORS IN THE REAL ESTATE OF DECEASED PERSONS. *Chap.684*

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

SECTION 1. Section 4 of chapter 193 of the General Laws, as amended by section 1 of chapter 163 of the acts of 1951, is hereby further amended by adding at the end the following: — ; provided, that if more than twenty years shall have elapsed between the date of death of the decedent and the filing after January first, nineteen hundred and fifty-two, of a petition for administration on his estate the rights of creditors of the decedent and the administrator under license of court or otherwise to deal with real estate of the decedent shall be subject to any rights acquired by conveyance, mortgage or other instrument in writing from or through any heir-at-law of the decedent recorded before the filing of said petition and to any rights established by a court of competent jurisdiction in a proceeding filed before the filing of said petition for administration.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 193, § 4, etc., amended.

Rights of creditors and administrators in the real estate of certain deceased persons, regulated.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on January first, nineteen hundred and fifty-two.

Effective date.

*Approved September 18, 1951.*

AN ACT INCREASING THE SALARIES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PITTSFIELD. *Chap.685*

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

SECTION 1. Section 21 of chapter 280 of the acts of 1932 is hereby amended by striking out the second paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph: —

The city council may establish a salary for its members, not exceeding five hundred dollars each, payable in monthly instalments. The salary so established shall not be increased or diminished during the term of office of the members.

SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted for acceptance to the registered voters of the city of Pittsfield at the next biennial municipal election in the form of the following question which shall be placed upon the official ballot to be used at said election: — “Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year 1951, entitled ‘An Act Increasing the Salaries of the Members of the Council of the City of Pittsfield’ be accepted?” If a majority of the voters voting thereon vote in the affirmative in answer to said question, this act shall take full effect on the first Monday in January of the year following said election, but not otherwise.

*Approved September 18, 1951.*