

up any part of any payment to which he is legally entitled or to render an incorrect bill for less than the established minimum rates and charges prescribed by the department of public utilities shall be punished for a first offense by a fine of one thousand dollars, for a second offense by a fine of fifteen hundred dollars and for any subsequent offense by a fine of two thousand dollars.

Approved September 25, 1951.

Chap.695 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE RETIREMENT OF CERTAIN POLICE OFFICERS OF THE CITY OF NEW BEDFORD.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section eighty-five G of chapter thirty-two of the General Laws, any member of the police department of the city of New Bedford who is hereafter retired under the provisions of sections eighty-three to eighty-five F, inclusive, of said chapter thirty-two, and who was appointed a reserve police officer prior to July first, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven, shall, for the purpose of such retirement, be accredited with his service as such reserve police officer as a part of his continuous service.

SECTION 2. This act shall take full effect upon its acceptance, within five years from the date of its passage, by vote of the city council of said city, subject to the provisions of its charter, but not otherwise.

Approved September 25, 1951.

Chap.696 AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE COMMISSIONER OF MENTAL HEALTH TO SELL CERTAIN PROPERTY OF THE COMMONWEALTH IN THE TOWN OF SHREWSBURY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Subject to the approval of the governor and council, the commissioner of mental health, in the name and on behalf of the commonwealth, is hereby authorized to sell at public auction a triangular parcel of land situated on the north-westerly side of Lake street in the town of Shrewsbury with a frontage not exceeding three hundred and sixty feet, a depth from Lake street at the northerly end of said parcel not exceeding one hundred and fifty feet, and a frontage on the westerly side of said parcel not exceeding three hundred and twenty feet, said land to be used for residential development purposes; the sale to be subject to such conditions and restrictions for the benefit of the Worcester state hospital as may seem advisable to the commissioner.

Approved September 25, 1951.