
Chap. 169

SECTION 1. Section 110 of chapter 175 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1996 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 34, the words "forty thousand dollars" and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- \$125,000.

SECTION 2. Said section 110 of said chapter 175, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 42, the words "forty thousand dollar" and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- \$125,000.

SECTION 3. Section 133 of said chapter 175, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 57, the words "forty thousand dollars" and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- \$125,000.

SECTION 4. Said section 133 of said chapter 175, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 63, the words "forty thousand dollar" and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- \$125,000.

Approved July 10, 1998.

Chapter 170. AN ACT PROVIDING FOR GENDER NEUTRALITY IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF STATUTES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 6 of chapter 4 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1996 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out clause Fourth and inserting in place thereof the following clause:-

Fourth, Words importing the singular number may extend and be applied to several persons or things, words importing the plural number may include the singular, and words of one gender may be construed to include the other gender and the neuter.

Approved July 10, 1998.

Chapter 171. AN ACT ESTABLISHING A DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS IN THE TOWN OF HATFIELD.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. There shall be established in the town of Hatfield a department of public works, hereinafter called the department, which shall be under the jurisdiction of the board of selectmen.

SECTION 2. The board of selectmen of said town shall have and exercise all powers, rights, and duties now or from time to time vested by any general or special law in the highway department, vehicle maintenance department, sewer department, water department, tree department and health department, but as to the health department only the extent of the operation, maintenance and repair of the town's refuse transfer station.