

fifteen hundred dollars; provided that such widow is not receiving a retirement allowance or pension under the provisions of any general or special law.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect as of January first, nineteen hundred and sixty-three.

Approved July 9, 1963.

Chap. 527. AN ACT ESTABLISHING A POULTRY INSPECTION SECTION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

The second paragraph of section 4 of chapter 17 of the General Laws, as amended by section 3 of chapter 611 of the acts of 1959, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word "section" the second time it appears in line 2, the words: —, a poultry inspection section.

Approved July 9, 1963.

Chap. 528. AN ACT INCREASING THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF BONDS OF THE WOODS HOLE, MARTHA'S VINEYARD AND NANTUCKET STEAMSHIP AUTHORITY WHICH MAY BE OUTSTANDING AT ANY ONE TIME.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Clause (b) of section 4 of chapter 701 of the acts of 1960 is hereby amended by striking out, in line 6, the word "six" and inserting in place thereof the word: — ten.

Approved July 9, 1963.

Chap. 529. AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION TO REIMBURSE PROPERTY OWNERS FOR DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE BURSTING OF A WATER SUPPLY MAIN IN THE CITY OF CHELSEA.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, including provisions relative to the settlement of claims against the commonwealth, the metropolitan district commission, subject to the approval of the attorney general, is hereby authorized and empowered to reimburse any persons for damage to their property, both real and personal, caused by the bursting, on January thirtieth, nineteen hundred and sixty-three, of a section of a thirty-six inch metropolitan district commission water supply main in Columbus street in the city of Chelsea, and to expend for such purpose such sums as may be necessary, not exceeding, in the aggregate, fifty thousand dollars from the amount available in item 8902-34 of section two of chapter four hundred and ninety-five of the acts of nineteen hundred and sixty-one; provided that no claim for such damage shall be paid under the provisions of this act for any poles, wires, pipes or other public utility facilities located within the limits of any public way under any grant, license or permit.

Approved July 9, 1963.

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