

**Chap. 578.** AN ACT EXEMPTING PHYSICIANS FROM CIVIL LIABILITY AS A RESULT OF RENDERING CERTAIN EMERGENCY CARE.

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

Chapter 112 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 12B, as amended by chapter 59 of the acts of 1964, and inserting in place thereof the following section: — *Section 12B.* No physician duly registered under the provisions of section two or two A, or resident in another state, in the District of Columbia or in a province of Canada, and duly registered therein who, in good faith, as a volunteer and without fee, renders emergency care or treatment, other than in the ordinary course of his practice, shall be liable in a suit for damages as a result of his acts or omissions, nor shall he be liable to a hospital for its expenses if, under such emergency conditions, he orders a person hospitalized or causes his admission.

*Approved June 28, 1965.*

**Chap. 579.** AN ACT MAKING CERTAIN APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR NINETEEN HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SIX PRIOR TO FINAL ACTION ON THE GENERAL APPROPRIATION BILL FOR SAID YEAR.

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

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the provisions of House Bill numbered 3939, as amended and passed to be engrossed by the House of Representatives, making appropriations for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and sixty-six for the maintenance of departments, boards, commissions, institutions, and certain activities of the commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements, and for certain permanent improvements, are hereby incorporated herein by reference and shall be effective on the passage of this act; provided, that expenditures thereunder shall be limited to the amounts made available by allotment by the governor upon recommendation of the commissioner of administration; and provided, further, that said commissioner is hereby directed to limit the amount so allotted to those appropriation accounts essential for the maintenance of services during the month of July. The total allotment to any department, board or commission subject to section nine B of chapter twenty-nine of the General Laws shall not exceed one-third of the amount provided in each appropriation account in said House Bill numbered 3939, as amended; provided, however, if the amount so allotted would be insufficient to meet the minimum requirements of the agency, the commissioner may authorize such additional allotment as may be necessary, and a copy of such additional authorization shall be filed with the joint committee on ways and means.

SECTION 2. This act shall cease to be operative upon the enactment into law of the general appropriation bill for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and sixty-six or on July thirty-first, nineteen hundred and sixty-five, whichever is the earlier, and all action taken under this act shall apply against said appropriation act.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

*Approved June 29, 1965.*