

o'clock and thirty minutes, P.M., on the above date, and in accordance with Article Forty-eight of the Amendments to the Constitution said chapter takes effect forthwith, being chapter six hundred and seventy-nine of the acts of nineteen hundred and sixty-five.

KEVIN H. WHITE,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Chap. 680. AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE VETERANS PENSION LAW, SO CALLED, IN SO FAR AS IT RELATES TO EMPLOYEES OF A HOUSING AUTHORITY.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to make forthwith certain corrective changes in an act of the current year further defining the retirement rights of certain veterans employed by housing authorities, which act took effect on August twenty-second, nineteen hundred and sixty-five, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 498 of the acts of 1965 is hereby amended by inserting after section 4 the following section:—

Section 4A. Section 59 of said chapter 32, as most recently amended by section 1 of chapter 511 of the acts of 1963, is hereby further amended by adding after the word "committee", in line 9, the words:— ; or, in the case of a housing authority, the housing authority.

SECTION 2. Section 5 of said chapter 498 is hereby amended by striking out, in line 5, the words "which accepts" and inserting in place thereof the words:— in which the housing authority accepts.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect as of August twenty-second, nineteen hundred and sixty-five. *Approved September 7, 1965.*

Chap. 681. AN ACT AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION TO CONSTRUCT, ENLARGE AND IMPROVE ITS RECREATIONAL FACILITIES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The metropolitan district commission is hereby authorized and directed to construct recreational facilities within the metropolitan parks district, and to enlarge and improve existing facilities, in such manner and at such locations as it may determine, and in a manner designed to serve all parts of the metropolitan parks district equally in proportion to the need; provided, that projects constructed as herein authorized shall not be subject to section thirty A of chapter seven of the General Laws.

SECTION 2. The metropolitan district commission shall charge reasonable fees wherever feasible to cover costs of operation and maintenance of its facilities and may enter into leases or other agreements relating to the operation of its facilities with public or other bodies or individuals, upon such terms and conditions as it may deem just and expedient. The terms of such leases or agreements may include the right to charge fees as herein authorized, and full and complete information regarding

any and all such leases and agreements and the operations resulting therefrom shall be a matter of public record and shall, at all times, be available upon reasonable request.

SECTION 3. The metropolitan district commission, acting so far as may be in consultation with the proper local boards, may, on behalf of the commonwealth, take by eminent domain under chapter seventy-nine of the General Laws, in fee or otherwise, or acquire by purchase, gift or devise, such public or private lands, water rights, rights of way, easements or other interests in land as it may deem necessary or desirable for carrying out the provisions of this act; provided, that nothing in this act shall be construed to limit existing rights of any city or town in relation to water supply purposes, or in any way obstruct such rights.

SECTION 4. To meet the expenditures necessary in carrying out the construction and improvements authorized in section one, the state treasurer shall, upon request of the governor, issue and sell at public or private sale bonds of the commonwealth, registered or with interest coupons attached, as he may deem best, to an amount to be specified by the governor, from time to time, but not exceeding, in the aggregate, the sum of three million dollars. All bonds issued by the commonwealth as aforesaid shall be designated on their face, Metropolitan District Commission Recreational Loan, Act of 1965, and shall be on the serial payment plan for such maximum term of years, not exceeding twenty years, as the governor may recommend to the general court pursuant to section 3 of Article LXII of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth, the maturities thereof to be so arranged that the amounts payable in the several years of the period of amortization other than the final year shall be as nearly equal as in the opinion of the state treasurer it is practicable to make them. Said bonds shall bear interest semi-annually at such rate as the state treasurer, with the approval of the governor, shall fix. The initial maturities of such bonds shall be payable not later than one year from the date of issue thereof, and the entire issue not later than June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eighty-six. All interest payments and payments on account of principal on such obligations shall be paid from the metropolitan district commission park funds, to be assessed by methods fixed by law.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved September 7, 1965.

Chap. 682. AN ACT DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL SERVICE TO CONDUCT AN EXAMINATION FOR MOTOR VEHICLE EXAMINER, REGISTRY OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to correct an injustice resulting from the change in the experience or age requirements for eligibility in the taking of the motor vehicle examiner, registry of motor vehicles examination which was held on June twenty-sixth, nineteen hundred and sixty-five, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The director of civil service is hereby authorized and directed to conduct an open competitive examination for motor vehicle