

certain persons and organizations presently exempt from such excise, and thereby obtain additional revenue for the commonwealth, 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 of chapter 64G of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out paragraphs (a), (b) and (c), as appearing in section 25 of chapter 14 of the acts of 1966, and inserting in place thereof the following three paragraphs: —

(a) "Hotel", any building used for the feeding and lodging of guests, licensed or required to be licensed under the provisions of section six of chapter one hundred and forty.

(b) "Lodging house", a house where lodgings are let to five or more persons not within the second degree of kindred to the person conducting it, licensed or required to be licensed under section twenty-three of chapter one hundred and forty.

(c) "Motel", any building or portion of a building, other than a hotel or lodging house, in which persons are lodged for hire with or without meals and which is licensed or required to be licensed under the provisions of section thirty-two B of chapter one hundred and forty, or a private club.

Approved November 20, 1967.

Chap. 746. AN ACT PROVIDING THAT MUNICIPAL EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS MAY, BY AGREEMENT, WAIVE HEARINGS AND CONSENT TO ELECTIONS TO DETERMINE EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATION.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 178H of chapter 149 of the General Laws, inserted by section 2 of chapter 763 of the acts of 1965, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph: —

(5) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a stipulation, in accordance with regulations of the commission, by a municipal employer or its designated representative or representatives and an employee organization for the waiving of hearing and the conducting of a consent election by the commission for the purpose of determining a controversy concerning the representation of employees.

Approved November 20, 1967.

Chap. 747. AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE ELIGIBILITY DATE FOR THE RETIREMENT FROM THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES UNDER THE VETERANS RETIREMENT LAW.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

The second sentence of section 1 of chapter 490 of the acts of 1961 is hereby amended by striking out, in line 11, the word "June" and inserting in place thereof the word: — August.

Approved November 20, 1967.