

Sale of said property shall be by sealed bid and the price shall be for the entire property including the personal property therein. Each person bidding shall pay with his bid a cost fee of one hundred dollars, and shall include with his bid a certified check equal to five per cent of the total amount of his bid, said check to be returned to him if his bid is not accepted. The person who is the highest bidder whose bid is accepted shall within three days of the opening of the bids post an additional five per cent of the total amount of his bid, either in cash or by a certified check, with the trustees, to be forfeited if he does not or is unable to consummate the purchase within ninety days after said date for the opening of the bids.

All bids shall be opened publicly by the trustees at the time and place set forth in the notice of intent to sell as required to be published by this section, and the trustees shall have the right to reject any and all bids.

The proceeds of the sale of said property shall be deposited in the treasury of Bristol county, and shall be distributed to or credited to the account of the cities and towns of said district in proportion to the amount levied upon such city or town for the annual maintenance of the Bristol county hospital for the year nineteen hundred and sixty-six.

SECTION 9. Sections seven and eight of this act shall take effect upon its passage, and sections one to six, inclusive, shall take effect thirty days after completion of the sale of all the property of the Bristol county hospital and nursing home for the aging.

Approved July 3, 1968.

Chap. 488. AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE FILING OF SIGNATURES ON NOMINATION PAPERS FOR STATE OFFICE.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to regulate forthwith the requirements for the filing of signatures on nomination papers for state office, 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:

The last sentence of section 7 of chapter 53 of the General Laws, as appearing in chapter 210 of the acts of 1963, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 1, the word "shall" and inserting in place thereof the word:— need, — so as to read as follows:— The state secretary need not receive nomination papers for a candidate after receiving such papers containing a sufficient number of certified names to make a nomination, increased by two fifths thereof.

Approved July 3, 1968.

Chap. 489. AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE USE OF THE PROCEEDS OF THE SALE OF CERTAIN BONDS BY THE CITY OF WESTFIELD FOR CERTAIN WATER TRANSMISSION LINES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The city of Westfield shall have no further authority to make expenditures under paragraphs numbered 5 and 8 of a bond order