

SECTION 6. The consolidation shall not be completed:

(a) unless at meetings called for the purpose, each of said existing corporations shall have accepted this act; and

(b) unless after the acceptance said existing corporations shall have called and held an organization meeting of the consolidated corporation composed of persons designated by said existing corporations, for the purpose of adopting by-laws for the consolidated corporation and of electing officers, a board of directors and such committees as said by-laws may require.

SECTION 7. The consolidation shall be complete and effective upon the filing with the secretary of the commonwealth of a certificate signed by the clerks of said existing corporations who shall make affidavit setting forth detailed compliance with the provisions of section six and stating the names and addresses of the officers and directors elected at said organization meeting. Said certificate shall be filed not later than thirty days after the date of said organization meeting.

SECTION 8. Any questions arising as to the powers, rights, privileges and responsibilities of the consolidated corporation with respect to its property and with respect to the property of the existing corporations, including all bequests, devises, gifts and transfers of any kind heretofore and hereafter made to or for the benefit of either of them, and also any other questions arising as to the legal effect of this act or any of the provisions thereof, may, notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, be initially and finally determined by the supreme judicial court upon the application of any person interested or of the attorney general.

Approved April 17, 1969.

Chap. 188. AN ACT INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF MONEY THE NEW BEDFORD POLICE ASSOCIATION MAY PAY TO MEMBERS UPON THEIR RETIREMENT.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The New Bedford Police Association, a corporation duly established under the laws of the commonwealth, is hereby authorized, upon the retirement from the police department of the city of New Bedford of any member in good standing, to pay such member such sum, not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars, as may be determined by vote of the directors of said corporation. Any amount so paid shall reduce the death benefit otherwise payable upon the death of such member.

SECTION 2. Section one of chapter five hundred and sixteen of the acts of nineteen hundred and sixty-five is hereby repealed.

Approved April 17, 1969.

Chap. 189. AN ACT AUTHORIZING CITIES AND TOWNS TO GRANT TO CERTAIN DENTAL ASSISTANTS NOT IN THE CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT SYSTEM A PENSION EQUAL TO SEVENTY-TWO PER CENT OF THEIR ANNUAL RATE OF COMPENSATION PAYABLE AT THE TIME OF RETIREMENT.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Chapter 32 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 44B the following section:—

Section 44C. A city having a plan D or plan E charter by the affirmative vote of two thirds of all the members of the city council, any other city by vote of the city council subject to the provisions of its charter, and a town by a majority vote at an annual town meeting, may direct the appropriate city or town retirement board to retire at his own request any dental assistant whose employment began before July first, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven, and who has been in such employ for not less than thirty-five years, or who has reached the age of sixty and has been in such employ for not less than twenty-five years and has become physically or mentally incapacitated for service or labor, or who has completed a service of not less than fifteen years and is physically or mentally incapacitated for service or labor by reasons of injury received in the performance of his duties for such city or town; and if so retired his pension shall be equal to seventy-two per cent of the annual rate of compensation payable to such employee on the date of his retirement and shall be payable out of the appropriation for the support of public schools, or the payment of dental assistants.

Approved April 17, 1969.

Chap. 190. AN ACT PROVIDING FOR NOTIFICATION TO FIRE DEPARTMENTS OF THE USE OF CANINE GUARDS IN CERTAIN ESTABLISHMENTS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Chapter 148 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 28A the following section:—

Section 28B. The board shall by rule require, and the head of the fire department shall make such orders or rules not inconsistent therewith, that any person having control of a mercantile, commercial or industrial establishment wherein canine guards are maintained shall notify the head of the fire department of the district, city or town within which such establishment is located of the name, address and telephone number of the person who supplies or controls such canines.

Approved April 17, 1969.

Chap. 191. AN ACT RELATIVE TO EXPENDITURES FOR THE CARE, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF THE PLYMOUTH COUNTY HOSPITAL.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

The county commissioners of Plymouth county are hereby authorized to expend for the year nineteen hundred and sixty-nine the sums set forth in this act for the care, maintenance and repair of the county hospital within their county, and to assess the same in the manner set forth in section eighty-five of chapter one hundred and eleven of the General Laws.

The sums set forth are based upon detailed schedules approved by the joint committee on counties, copies of which are deposited with the director of accounts.

Said director shall file with said county commissioners and with the county treasurer a certification of the amounts set forth in the approved