

The original act for the Vietnam bonus gave the duty for certifying the domicile of a veteran to an assessor. This act would give this duty to the clerk of a municipality since he has the appropriate records indicating the domicile of a person or veteran.

Postponement of the operation of this act would defeat its purpose which is to expedite the awarding of claims under the Vietnam Bonus Act.

Sincerely,

FRANCIS W. SARGENT,  
*Acting Governor of the Commonwealth.*

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, BOSTON, May 6, 1969.

I, John F. X. Davoren, Secretary of the Commonwealth, hereby certify that the accompanying statement was filed in this office by His Excellency the Acting Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts at two o'clock and five 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 two hundred and fifty-eight of the acts of nineteen hundred and sixty-nine.

JOHN F. X. DAVOREN,  
*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

**Chap. 259.** AN ACT PROHIBITING THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN ANY PORTION OF A BUILDING DESIGNATED AS A POLLING PLACE DURING VOTING HOURS OR WHILE BALLOTS ARE BEING COUNTED.

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

Section 24 of chapter 54 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the fourth sentence, as appearing in the Tercentenary Edition, and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:—Alcoholic beverages shall not be sold in any portion of a building which is designated as a polling place, during voting hours or while ballots are being counted therein.

*Approved May 6, 1969.*

**Chap. 260.** AN ACT AUTHORIZING A FIRE DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN TO DISPLAY A FLASHING RED LIGHT ON HIS VEHICLE.

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

Section 7 of chapter 90 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after the sentence amended by section 1 of chapter 149 of the acts of 1966 the following sentence:—A fire department chaplain may display a flashing red light on his vehicle.

*Approved May 6, 1969.*

**Chap. 261.** AN ACT INCREASING THE FEES OF COURT STENOGRAPHERS FOR FURNISHING TRANSCRIPTS OF THEIR NOTES.

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

Chapter 221 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 88, as most recently amended by chapter 56 of the acts of 1958, and inserting in place thereof the following section:—