Chap. 584. An Act further regulating the awarding of prizes for suggestions by state officers and employees.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 31A of chapter 7 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the second paragraph, as appearing in chapter 546 of the acts of 1954, and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:—

Said suggestion awards board shall from time to time award cash prizes to the officers or employees who have submitted suggestions which, in the opinion of the board, merit an award for increasing the efficiency of the state service. The board shall, subject to the approval of the governor, establish rules relative to the receiving and judging of such suggestions, the amount of the awards to be given, and the qualifications of the contestants, and may, subject to appropriation, expend sums for awards of cash and for investigation, publicity, clerical and other services and expenses necessary to carry out the purposes of this section.

Approved July 31, 1969.

Chap. 585. An Act providing for reimbursement by the commonwealth to the town of rockland for certain expenditures for veterans' benefits.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

There shall be allowed and paid out of the state treasury to the town of Rockland, subject to appropriation and subject to the approval of the commissioner of veterans' services, such sum, not exceeding seventeen thousand four hundred and thirty-one dollars and twenty-four cents, as said town would have been entitled to receive in reimbursement for veterans' benefits paid by it during the period from October first, nineteen hundred and sixty-six to November thirtieth, nineteen hundred and sixty-seven under the provisions of section six of chapter one hundred and fifteen of the General Laws, had said town made a proper and seasonable report thereof to said commissioner as required by said section six.

Approved July 31, 1969.

Chap. 586. An Act relative to search warrants in connection with harmful drugs and implements used therewith.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Chapter 94 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 187F the following section:—

Section 187G. If a person makes a complaint under oath to a district court, or a justice of the peace authorized to issue warrants in criminal cases, that he has reason to believe that any harmful drug, article, implement or other paraphernalia used in, for, or in connection with the unlawful possession or use of any harmful drug is kept or deposited by a person named therein in a store, shop, warehouse, building, place of residence, vehicle, steamboat, vessel, airplane or any place whatever, such person not being authorized by law to possess the same, such court or justice of the peace, if it appears that there is probable cause to believe that said complaint is true, shall issue a search warrant to a sheriff, deputy sheriff, chief of police, police officer, constable or inspector of the department commanding him to search such premises, and if any harm-

ful drugs, articles, implements or other paraphernalia used in, for, or in connection with the unlawful possession or use of any harmful drug are found therein to seize and securely keep the same, until final action, and to arrest the person in possession thereof, and to return forthwith the warrant with his doings thereon to a district court having jurisdiction in the town where said drug is alleged to be kept or deposited.

For the purposes of this section, the term "harmful drug" shall mean and include any compound or derivative of barbituric acid, ampheta-

mines, ergot or any hypnotic or somnifacient drug.

Approved July 31, 1969.

Chap. 587. An Act relative to the registration of certain aliens as barbers.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 87H of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by chapter 490 of the acts of 1963, is hereby further

amended by adding the following three paragraphs:—

Every applicant for a license shall furnish evidence that he is a citizen of the United States or shall present to the board a copy of his declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States, certified by the clerk of the court in which it was filed, or a certificate from the Immigration and Naturalization Service of the United States, showing that, in accordance with law, he has declared his intention to become such citizen, and no license shall be issued to an applicant who fails to comply with these provisions. Unless an applicant who is an alien and who is subsequently licensed presents to the board his completed naturalization papers showing that he is a citizen of the United States within five years following the filing of the copy or certificate hereinbefore referred to his license shall be revoked.

Every alien shall first serve as an apprentice for at least three years under the supervision of a registered barber before being eligible to take the examination for a fully registered barber. An alien shall not be allowed to take the apprentice examination unless his passport states that he is a barber and he presents two affidavits satisfactory to the board stating that he is at least eighteen years of age and that he has been a barber for at least two years in a foreign country. This examination shall consist of a haircut, shampoo, shave, face massage and scalp massage.

The apprentice examination fee shall be twenty-five dollars and he shall be entitled to two reexaminations within the year at a fee of fifteen dollars each. The apprentice license shall expire one year from the date of issue and may be renewed annually for a fee of ten dollars.

Approved July 31, 1969.

Chap. 588. An Act providing for the issuance or renewal of a barber certificate for a two year period.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

The second paragraph of section 87H of chapter 112 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the second, third and fourth