

SECTION 34. The provisions of this act are severable and if any provision shall be held unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the decisions of such court shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions.

SECTION 35. Section thirteen of this act shall take effect on January first, nineteen hundred and seventy-one. *Approved August 29, 1969.*

Chap. 886. AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE EMPLOYMENT OF A SPECIAL SHERIFF, CHIEF DEPUTY SHERIFFS AND DEPUTY SHERIFFS IN THE COUNTY OF SUFFOLK.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, the sheriff of Suffolk county shall appoint a special sheriff, and may appoint no more than two chief deputy sheriffs and not more than eleven full time deputy sheriffs and not more than four part time deputy sheriffs. The special sheriff and the chief deputy sheriffs shall each receive the same annual salary as that paid employees in compensation grade DC 20 under the Suffolk county compensation and pay plan, and the full time deputy sheriffs shall each receive the same annual salary as that paid employees in compensation grade DC 17 under said Suffolk county compensation and pay plan and the part time deputy sheriffs shall receive as compensation for each day's service an amount equal to the rate by the day of the compensation paid the full time deputy sheriffs. Said sheriff may expend such amounts for clerical and other assistants as may be necessary for the performance of his duties and those of the special sheriff, chief deputy sheriffs and the full time and part time deputy sheriffs. Every such special sheriff, chief deputy sheriff, full time and part time deputy sheriff shall, on the first Monday of every month, pay to the sheriff all fees, monies and travel expenses received by him for service of civil process within said county. Said sheriff shall deposit fees, monies and travel expenses into a special fund and from said special fund he shall pay the salaries and travel expenses of said special sheriff, chief deputy sheriffs, full time and part time deputy sheriffs and clerical assistants. If there are insufficient funds in said special fund to pay said salaries, the treasurer of Suffolk county is hereby authorized and directed to advance sufficient funds to the sheriff to pay said salaries and said treasurer shall be reimbursed by the sheriff for such funds so advanced from any subsequent excess in the special fund. Said special sheriff, chief deputy sheriffs, full time deputy sheriffs and clerical assistants shall be entitled to the same vacation, sick leave and hospitalization benefits as other employees of said county of Suffolk. Any unexpended funds of the special fund established herein shall be paid into the treasury of the city of Boston.

SECTION 2. Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, the special sheriff, the chief deputy sheriffs and the full time and part time deputy sheriffs of Suffolk county shall not be required to file with the treasurer of said county an account of all fees and monies received by them for the service of civil process during the years nineteen hundred and seventy and nineteen hundred and seventy-one.

SECTION 3. All fees to be paid the special sheriff, the chief deputy sheriffs and the full time and part time deputy sheriffs for the service of civil process shall be due and payable within thirty days from the day of service.

SECTION 4. All provisions of the General Laws not in conflict with the provisions of section one of this act, relative to the special sheriffs, chief deputy sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, shall apply to the special sheriffs, chief deputy sheriffs and full time and part time deputy sheriffs appointed under section one of this act.

SECTION 5. The division of accounts shall make an annual audit of the books of the sheriff with particular reference to the special fund provided for in section one of this act and shall report to the general court the results of its audit by filing the same with the clerk of the house of representatives on or before the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and seventy and nineteen hundred and seventy-one.

SECTION 6. The sheriff shall make an investigation and study of the operation of the deputy sheriff system established by section one of this act and shall report to the general court the results of his investigation and study and his recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry said recommendations into effect by filing the same with the clerk of the house of representatives on or before the first Wednesday of November, nineteen hundred and seventy-one.

SECTION 7. The provisions of this act shall take effect on January first, nineteen hundred and seventy and shall become inoperative on January first, nineteen hundred and seventy-two.

SECTION 8. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city of Boston.

Approved August 29, 1969.

Chap. 887. AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH SERVICES TO CONVEY CERTAIN LAND OF THE COMMONWEALTH IN THE TOWN OF LANCASTER TO GEORGE E. SANDERSON IN EXCHANGE FOR CERTAIN OTHER LAND IN SAID TOWN.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

In consideration of the conveyance to the commonwealth by George E. Sanderson of certain land in the town of Lancaster, hereinafter described and upon the terms as hereinafter provided, the department of youth services, in the name and on behalf of the commonwealth, is hereby authorized to convey to said George E. Sanderson by a deed, approved as to form by the attorney general, all the right, title, interest and estate of the commonwealth in and to a certain parcel of land in the town of Lancaster, shown as Lot B on a plan entitled "Land in Lancaster & Shirley, Mass., surveyed for Division of Youth Service, Scale 1" = 200', Ref. Worcester Registry of Deeds, Book 2508, Page 23 & Book 4273, Page 146, Ref. South Middlesex Registry of Deeds, Book 8967, Page 438 & Book 11340, Page 630, James W. Chisholm, Surveyor, J-155," and bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the northwesterly corner of the premises at a cement bound at the southeasterly side of Shirley Road and at corner of land of George E. Sanderson;