Chap. 252. An Act defining the term incompetent person as used in the motor vehicle law.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1 of chapter 90 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after the definition of "Heavy duty platform trailer" the following definition:—

"Incompetent person", a person lacking legal qualification, ability or fitness to operate motor vehicles or to hold a certificate of motor vehicle registration.

Approved April 29, 1970.

Chap. 253. An Act relative to the revocation of motor vehicle operators' licenses following conviction of operating under the influence of narcotic drugs or intoxicating liquor.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Subdivision (1) of section 24 of chapter 90 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out paragraph (c), as most recently amended by section 2 of chapter 200 of the acts of 1964, and inserting in place

thereof the following paragraph: —

(c) The registrar, after having revoked the license or the right to operate of any person under the preceding paragraph of this section, shall not issue a new license or reinstate the right to operate to such person, except in his discretion if the prosecution of such person has terminated in favor of the defendant, until five years after the date of revocation following a conviction of a violation of paragraph (a) hereof committed within six years after conviction of a violation of said paragraph, nor until one year after the date of revocation following a conviction of any violation of said paragraph other than one committed within six years as aforesaid; but notwithstanding the foregoing, no new license shall be issued or right to operate be reinstated by the registrar to any person convicted of a violation of paragraph (a) of subdivision (1) of this section until ten years after the date of conviction in case the registrar determines upon investigation and after hearing that the action of the person so convicted in committing such offence caused an accident resulting in the death of another, nor at any time after a subsequent conviction of such an offence, whenever committed, in case the registrar determines in the manner aforesaid that the action of such person, in committing the offence of which he was so subsequently convicted, caused an accident resulting in the death of another.

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Chap. 254. An Act authorizing the revocation of a motor vehicle or trailer registration certificate under a general distinguishing number or mark that has been improperly issued.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 5 of chapter 90 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following sentence: — If the registrar, after a hearing, is