

Chap. 358. AN ACT EXEMPTING THE OFFICE OF TOWN ENGINEER OF THE TOWN OF METHUEN FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CIVIL SERVICE LAW.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The office of town engineer in the town of Methuen shall, upon the effective date of this act, be exempt from the provisions of the civil service law.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 27, 1970.

Chap. 359. AN ACT INCREASING THE GUARANTY OF THE COMMONWEALTH TO HOUSING AUTHORITIES, MAKING CERTAIN CORRECTIVE CHANGES IN THE LAW RELATIVE TO SUCH AUTHORITIES AND REENACTING BY ROLL CALL VOTE CERTAIN PRIOR PROVISIONS OF LAW.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is, in part, to increase forthwith the guaranty of the commonwealth to housing authorities, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The first paragraph of section 15 of chapter 121B of the General Laws, as appearing in section 1 of chapter 751 of the acts of 1969, is hereby amended by inserting after the fifth sentence the following sentence:—In case any officer whose signature or a facsimile thereof appears on any notes, bonds or coupons shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of such notes or bonds, such signature or facsimile shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes as if he had remained in office until such delivery.

SECTION 2. Said chapter 121B is hereby further amended by striking out section 34, as so appearing, and inserting in place thereof the following section:—

Section 34. The commonwealth, acting by and through the department, may enter into a contract or contracts with a housing authority for state financial assistance in the form of a guarantee by the commonwealth of notes or bonds or both of the housing authority issued to finance the cost of a housing project or projects, and annual contributions by the commonwealth. The guarantee by the commonwealth of the notes and bonds of a housing authority shall be executed on each note and bond by the commissioner. It shall be sufficient if the signature of said commissioner upon such instrument is an engraved, printed or stamped facsimile signature, provided that he has, by a writing bearing his written signature and filed in the office of the commissioner of community affairs, authorized his facsimile signature to be placed thereon. The facsimile signature of said commissioner so engraved, printed or stamped thereon shall have the same validity and effect as his written signature. If any such commissioner shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of such instruments, such signature or facsimile shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes as if he had remained in office until such delivery.