

of office until age sixty-five for Archer H. Davis, incumbent of the office of chief of police of the town of Dunstable', be accepted?" If a majority of the votes in answer to said question is in the affirmative, this act shall thereupon take full effect, but not otherwise.

*Approved August 11, 1970.*

**Chap. 654.** AN ACT VALIDATING THE ACTION OF THE TOWN OF PLYMOUTH ADOPTING CERTAIN COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS AND IN GRANTING RETROACTIVE PAY RAISES TO CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF SAID TOWN.

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

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provision of any law to the contrary, the town of Plymouth may approve, retroactive to January the first, nineteen hundred and seventy, the following collective bargaining agreements:

1. An agreement dated the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and seventy and signed by the board of selectmen and by a representative of the town of Plymouth Secretarial-Clerical Association;

2. An agreement dated the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and seventy and signed by the board of selectmen and by a representative of the town of Plymouth Police Department Bargaining Unit.

SECTION 2. Said town may amend the wage and salary classification by-law of nineteen hundred and seventy by incorporating therein the provisions of the agreements referred to in section one.

SECTION 3. Said town of Plymouth is authorized to raise and appropriate from available funds the sum of seventy-six thousand eight hundred and seventy-two dollars, as supplemental departmental appropriations, including such amounts as are necessary to implement the amendments to the wage and salary classification by-law, retroactive to January the first, nineteen hundred and seventy.

SECTION 4. Any action taken by the town of Plymouth at the special town meeting held June the twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and seventy, as authorized by sections one to three, inclusive, shall be as valid and effective as though said sections had been in full force and effect at the time of the posting of the warrant for said meeting.

*Approved August 11, 1970.*

**Chap. 655.** AN ACT VALIDATING THE ACTION OF THE TOWN OF SWANSEA IN GRANTING RETROACTIVE PAY RAISES TO CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF SAID TOWN AND IN APPROPRIATING A CERTAIN SUM FOR RETROACTIVE PAYMENTS IN ORDER TO CARRY OUT THE TERMS OF A CERTAIN LABOR AGREEMENT.

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

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, the town of Swansea, at a special town meeting called for that purpose, may approve a labor agreement by and between said town and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees granting all permanent full-time police department employees of said town certain wage and fringe benefits retroactive to January the first,

nineteen hundred and seventy, and may appropriate from available funds the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars to carry out the terms of said contract.

SECTION 2. Any action taken by the town of Swansea at the special town meeting held on July the thirteenth, nineteen hundred and seventy, shall be as valid and effective as though section one of this act had been in full force and effect at the time of the posting of the warrant for said meeting.

*Approved August 11, 1970.*

**Chap. 656.** AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE TO MAKE CERTAIN ADDITIONAL MOVING COSTS AND RELOCATION PAYMENTS TO PERSONS AND BUSINESSES DISPLACED BY THE EXPANSION OF THE PIERCE SCHOOL.

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

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the limitations contained in section six A of chapter seventy-nine and section one of chapter seventy-nine A of the General Laws, the town of Brookline is hereby authorized to pay to certain individuals, families and business concerns who were displaced on or after April the fourteenth, nineteen hundred and seventy, as the result of the acquisition of land by purchase or taking by said town for the expansion of the Pierce School, such sums as are equal to the moving cost payments and relocation payments paid by the federal government to displaced persons or businesses, notwithstanding the fact that said town is ineligible to receive any federal reimbursement therefor. Any such payments shall not include reimbursement or compensation for any expenses or losses for which reimbursement or compensation would otherwise be paid.

SECTION 2. The action taken by said town under Article Five of the warrant for the special town meeting held on June the sixteenth, nineteen hundred and seventy, pursuant to the authority granted by section one of this act, shall be as valid and as effective as though this act had been in full force and effect at the time of the posting of the warrant for said meeting.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

*Approved August 12, 1970.*

**Chap. 657.** AN ACT INCREASING UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION BENEFITS.

*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to provide forthwith an increase in unemployment compensation benefits to individuals whose benefit years begin on or after October the fourth of the current year, on which date a lesser increase was to have taken effect, 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. Section 29 of chapter 151A of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out subsection (a), as most recently amended