

Chap. 622. AN ACT TO PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS,

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 76 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 5, as appearing in the Tercentenary Edition, and inserting in place thereof the following section: —

Section 5. Every child shall have a right to attend the public schools of the town where he actually resides, subject to the following section. No child shall be excluded from or discriminated against in admission to a public school of any town, or in obtaining the advantages, privileges and courses of study of such public school on account of race, color, sex, religion or national origin.

SECTION 2. Section 16 of said chapter 76, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "schools", in line 2, the words: — or from the advantages, privileges and courses of study of such public schools.

Approved August 5, 1971.

Chap. 623. AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE SOLDIERS' HOME IN HOLYOKE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 6 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 71, as most recently amended by section 14 of chapter 888 of the acts of 1970, and inserting in place thereof the following section: —

Section 71. Said board of trustees shall have the management and control of said home and all property, real and personal, of the commonwealth and occupied or used by said home. In the management and control of said home as aforesaid, said board of trustees shall (1) adopt, issue and promulgate reasonable rules and regulations governing outpatient treatment at, admission to, and hospitalization in, said home, and (2) appoint a superintendent. The superintendent shall be the administrative head of the home. He shall, subject to the approval of the trustees, appoint and may remove a medical director, a treasurer and assistant treasurer; such treasurer and assistant treasurer shall give bond for the faithful performance of their duties. The provisions of section forty-two of chapter thirty-one shall apply to the appointment of such treasurer and assistant treasurer. The superintendent shall also appoint and may remove such other persons as he deems necessary for the proper and efficient operation of the facilities of the home. The medical director shall have responsibility for the medical, surgical and outpatient facilities and shall make recommendations to the superintendent on the appointments of all physicians, nurses and other medical staff. The superintendent may be removed by said board of trustees for inefficiency, failure to perform duties properly or other good cause. A superintendent sought to be so removed shall be notified of the proposed action, shall be furnished with a copy of the reasons therefor and shall be given a hearing before said board of trustees and be allowed to answer the charges preferred against him, either personally or by counsel. Within twenty days after the removal hereinbefore provided for, said superintendent may bring a petition in the superior court within and for the county wherein he resides, praying that the