

MOTOR VEHICLES AND EXEMPTING SUCH COVERAGE FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CASUALTY AND SURETY RATE REGULATORY LAW." and the enactment of which received my approval on October 14, 1971, should take effect forthwith.

I further declare that in my opinion said law is an emergency law and facts constituting the emergency are as follows:

In order to make the provisions of this act requiring public hearings effective for the current year.

Sincerely,
FRANCIS W. SARGENT,
Governor of the Commonwealth.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, BOSTON, October 14, 1971.

I, John F. X. Davoren, Secretary of the Commonwealth, hereby certify that the accompanying statement was filed in this office by His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts at five o'clock and forty-five minutes, P.M., on the above date, and in accordance with Article Forty-eight of the Amendments to the Constitution said chapter takes effect forthwith, being chapter eight hundred and ninety-six of the acts of nineteen hundred and seventy-one.

JOHN F. X. DAVOREN,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Chap. 897. AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE SITTING IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICES OF DISTRICT COURTS AT THE TRIAL OR DISPOSITION OF CERTAIN CRIMINAL CASES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 14B of chapter 212 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by chapter 452 of the acts of 1970, is hereby further amended by striking out the first paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph: —

A justice of the district courts, including the municipal court of the city of Boston, shall, at the written request of the chief justice of the superior court, sit in the superior court at the trial or disposition with or without a jury in any part of the commonwealth of any motor vehicle tort action, or of any offense or crime over which the district court has the original jurisdiction under the provisions of section twenty-six of chapter two hundred and eighteen; and during the continuance of such request shall have and exercise all the powers and duties which a justice of the superior court has and may exercise in the trial and disposition of such cases.

Approved October 14, 1971.

Chap. 898. AN ACT PROVIDING FOR AN ADDITIONAL COURT OFFICER IN THE THIRD DISTRICT COURT OF EASTERN MIDDLESEX.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 62 of chapter 218 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence, as most recently amended by chapter 774 of the acts of 1971, and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:—
In the municipal court of the city of Boston the court officers ap-