

otherwise, the public lands hereinafter described, or such portions thereof as said department may determine, and to divert said lands from their present public uses to highway use, as hereinafter provided.

Said lands to be so transferred and diverted are shown on a map entitled "Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Public Works—Public Lands Needed for Highway Purposes, November 3, 1971", which said department is hereby directed to file in the office of the state secretary and which said secretary is hereby authorized to receive for filing and are identified as follows:

"In the town of Natick, approximately 0.5 acres consisting of a narrow strip of land running along the southerly side of Route 135 and the northerly shore line of Fisk Pond for a distance of approximately 1500 feet, to be used for the construction of the new bridge and approaches to replace a sub-standard bridge. Said parcel of land is presently controlled by the Department of Natural Resources and is dedicated to conservation."

Approved May 11, 1972.

Chap. 254. AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE PAYMENT OF MONIES DEDUCTED FROM AN EMPLOYEE'S WAGES FOR CERTAIN SPECIFIED PURPOSES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 8 of chapter 154 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:—Any other money deducted from an employee's wages shall be paid over forthwith, but in no event more than fourteen business days from the date when the deduction has been made or was due to the employee, to the person, credit union, bank, insurance company or corporation named by the employee pursuant to the provisions of this section, unless there is a prior written agreement between the employer and the recipient named by the employee that provides that payment may be made at some other time or times.

Approved May 11, 1972.

Chap. 255. AN ACT PROVIDING THAT CERTAIN PERSONS ARRESTED ON MESNE PROCESS MAY BE DELIVERED TO THE KEEPER OF A LOCKUP FOR DETENTION THEREIN.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

The fifth sentence of section 6 of chapter 224 of the General Laws, as appearing in the Tercentenary Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "jail", in line 3, the words:—or lockup.

Approved May 11, 1972.

Chap. 256. AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME FOR THE BRINGING OF CERTAIN ACTIONS AGAINST EXECUTORS AND ADMINISTRATORS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Chapter 197 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 9, as most recently amended by section 1 of chapter 548 of the acts of 1971, and inserting in place thereof the following section:—

Section 9. Except as provided in this chapter, an executor or administrator shall not be held to answer to an action by a creditor of the deceased which is not commenced within nine months from the time of his giving bond for the performance of his trust, or to such an action which is commenced within said nine months unless before the expiration thereof the writ in such action has been served by delivery in hand upon such executor or administrator or service thereof accepted by him or a notice stating the name of the estate, the name and address of the creditor, the amount of the claim and the court in which the action has been brought has been filed in the proper registry of probate. An executor, administrator or administrator de bonis non shall not be held to answer to an action by a creditor of the deceased which is commenced within any other or additional period of limitation for bringing such action provided by or under this chapter unless before the expiration of such period the writ in such action has been served by delivery in hand upon him or service thereof accepted by him or a notice as aforesaid has been filed in the proper registry of probate. The probate court may allow creditors further time for bringing actions, not exceeding one year from the time of the giving of his official bond by such executor or administrator, provided that application for such further time be made before the expiration of six months from the time of the approval of the bond.

Approved May 11, 1972.

Chap. 257. AN ACT AUTHORIZING APPOINTING AUTHORITIES TO SUSPEND PERSONS FROM THE SERVICE OF COUNTIES, CITIES, TOWNS AND DISTRICTS DURING ANY PERIOD SUCH PERSONS ARE UNDER INDICTMENT FOR MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Chapter 268A of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:—

Section 25. An officer or employee of a county, city, town or district, howsoever formed, including, but not limited to, regional school districts and regional planning districts, or of any department, board, commission or agency thereof may, during any period such officer or employee is under indictment for misconduct in such office or employment or for misconduct in any elective or appointive public office, trust or employment at any time held by him, be suspended by the appointing authority, whether or not such appointment was subject to approval in any manner. Notice of said suspension shall be given in writing and delivered in hand to said person or his attorney, or sent by registered mail to said person at his residence, his place of business, or the office or place of employment from which he is being suspended. Such notice so given and delivered or sent shall automatically suspend the authority of such person to perform the duties of his office or employment until he is notified in like manner that his suspension is removed. A copy of any such notice together with an affidavit of service shall be filed as follows: in the case of a county, with the clerk of the superior court of the county in which the officer or employee is employed; in the case of a city, with the city clerk; in