

ments shall be made under said section thirty C for any week which begins after March twenty-fourth, nineteen hundred and seventy-three; provided, that any reimbursable or wholly granted funds which may be made available by an act of Congress for benefits paid to an individual under said section thirty C shall be retroactively applied to the period for which such benefits were paid to the full extent permitted by such act of Congress and shall be credited to the solvency account; and, provided further, that no individual shall be eligible for benefits under said section thirty C during any period for which he is eligible for further benefits made available to the commonwealth by any subsequent act of Congress.

Approved July 7, 1972.

Chap. 587. AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR VOTER REGISTRATION AND ABSENTEE VOTING.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is, in part, to provide forthwith for certain changes in the residency requirements for voter registration and absentee voting, 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 1 of chapter 51 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by section 1 of chapter 28 of the acts of 1972, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence: — Except as otherwise provided in section one A, every citizen eighteen years of age or older, not being a person under guardianship and not being temporarily or permanently disqualified by law because of corrupt practices in respect to elections, who is a resident in the city or town where he claims the right to vote at the time he registers, and who has complied with the requirements of this chapter, may have his name entered on the list of voters in such city or town, and may vote therein in any such election, or except insofar as restricted in any town in which a representative town meeting form of government has been established, in any meeting held for the transaction of town affairs.

SECTION 2. The first paragraph of section 103J of chapter 54 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the third sentence, as appearing in section 1 of chapter 511 of the acts of 1962, and inserting in place thereof the following sentence: — The person making such application shall state thereon his name and that of the city or town in which he is registered as a voter, with the street and number of his address, if any; the name of the person in whose behalf the application is made, his place of legal residence when he entered the service, on January first of the preceding year, on January first of the current year or on such later date when he first became a legal resident of such city or town, and at the time of making such application, and the place and date of his birth, and shall make a declaration that such resident legally resides in the city or town in which his right to vote is claimed next preceding the election at which such right is claimed.

SECTION 3. Paragraph (c) of section 103 O of said chapter 54, as appearing in said section 1 of said chapter 511, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 14 and 15, the words "Commonwealth of Massa-

achusetts one year and of the city or town of
six months" and inserting in place thereof the words: — city or town
of
Approved July 7, 1972.

Chap. 588. AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY TREASURER OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY TO PAY A SUM OF MONEY TO PAUL E. SMITH.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, the county treasurer of Middlesex county is hereby authorized, subject to appropriation, to pay to Paul E. Smith the sum of four hundred and eighty dollars for injuries incurred by him in the year nineteen hundred and sixty-seven, while an employee of said county of the Middlesex county training school.

Approved July 7, 1972.

Chap. 589. AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PLYMOUTH COUNTY TO PAY CERTAIN UNPAID BILLS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The county commissioners of Plymouth county are hereby authorized to pay from any available funds certain unpaid bills to Eli E. Leeder, M.D., totalling one thousand, six hundred six dollars and forty cents, all for goods and services supplied or rendered to said county during the years nineteen hundred sixty-eight, nineteen hundred sixty-nine and nineteen hundred seventy and which are legally unenforceable against said county.

SECTION 2. No bill shall be approved by the county commissioner of said county or paid by treasurer thereof under authority of this act unless and until a certificate has been signed and filed with said treasurer stating under the penalties of perjury that the goods and services for which such bill was submitted were ordered by an official or an employee of said county and that such goods were delivered and actually received by said county or that such services were rendered to said county, or both.

Approved July 7, 1972.

Chap. 590. AN ACT REPEALING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF LAW WHICH PROVIDE FOR A SIMPLIFIED METHOD OF COMPUTING INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAXES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Chapter sixty-two A of the General Laws is hereby repealed.

Approved July 7, 1972.

Chap. 591. AN ACT CONFORMING THE WITHHOLDING OF THE STATE INCOME TAX ON WAGES AND CERTAIN PENSIONS AND ANNUITIES WITH THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1 of chapter 62B of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the definition of "Wages", as appearing in section 1 of