

**Chap. 85.** AN ACT REGULATING THE USE OF THE WORD "NATIVE" IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE OR PACKAGING OF VEGETABLES.

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

Chapter 94 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 99A the following section: — *Section 99B.* No person shall sell or offer to sell or pack for sale or distribution in the commonwealth vegetables in a container bearing the label or designation "native" unless the name of the state in which such vegetables were grown appears immediately after the word "native". Whoever violates any provision of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars.

*Approved February 17, 1961.*

**Chap. 86.** AN ACT PROVIDING THAT THE NON-CONTRIBUTORY PENSION PAYABLE TO CERTAIN FIREMEN IN CITIES BE BASED UPON THEIR HIGHEST ANNUAL RATE OF COMPENSATION.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 32 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 81B, inserted by section 2 of chapter 576 of the acts of 1946, and inserting in place thereof the following section: — *Section 81B.* Any permanent member of a fire department retired under the provisions of subdivision (a) of section eighty-one A shall receive an annual pension equal to two thirds of the highest annual rate of compensation or salary received by him while holding the grade held by him at the time of his retirement. The pension of any call fireman or substitute call fireman retired under the provisions of said paragraph (a) shall be the same as that of a permanent member of the first grade of the same department in which he served, or, if there be no grades, his compensation shall be that of a permanent member of the department performing duties like those which he performed.

Any permanent member of a fire department retired under the provisions of subdivision (b), (c) or (d) of said section eighty-one A shall receive an annual pension equal to one half of the highest annual rate of compensation received by him while holding the grade held by him at the time of his retirement if he has completed twenty years of service, and an additional amount equal to one per cent of said annual compensation for each year of service after the first twenty; provided, that the total amount of such pension shall in no case exceed sixty-five per cent of said annual compensation.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect as of April seventeenth, nineteen hundred and sixty.

*Approved February 17, 1961.*

**Chap. 87.** AN ACT REPEALING THE PROVISIONS OF LAW REQUIRING THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS OF THE BOSTON GAS COMPANY FOR THE PURCHASE OF GAS.

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

Section six of chapter four hundred and seventeen of the acts of nineteen hundred and three, as amended by chapter four hundred and forty-six of the acts of nineteen hundred and fifty-one, is hereby repealed.

*Approved February 17, 1961.*