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**Chap. 292**

**SECTION 1.** The tax collector of the town of Colrain shall be appointed by the board of selectmen of said town for a term not to exceed three years, and the person so appointed shall have the powers and duties vested in the office of tax collector. A vacancy in such office shall be filled in like manner for the unexpired portion of the term.

**SECTION 2.** Notwithstanding the provisions of section one, the incumbent in the office of tax collector, upon the effective date of this act, shall continue to hold said office and to perform the duties thereof until the expiration of the term for which he was elected and the appointment and qualifications of a successor, or a precedent vacating of office.

**SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved December 14, 1995.

**Chapter 293. AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF THE  
TREASURER IN THE TOWN OF COLRAIN.**

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

**SECTION 1.** The treasurer of the town of Colrain shall be appointed by the board of selectmen of said town for a term not to exceed three years, and the person so appointed shall have the powers and duties vested in the office of treasurer. A vacancy in such office shall be filled in like manner for the unexpired portion of the term.

**SECTION 2.** Notwithstanding the provisions of section one, the incumbent in the office of treasurer, upon the effective date of this act, shall continue to hold said office and to perform the duties thereof until the expiration of the term for which he was elected and the appointment and qualifications of a successor, or a precedent vacating of office.

**SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved December 14, 1995.

**Chapter 294. AN ACT PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT OF EMERGENCY  
ASSISTANCE BENEFITS TO CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF MALDEN  
MILLS INDUSTRIES, INC. AND OTHER BUSINESSES.**

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

**SECTION 1.** To provide for certain unanticipated obligations of the commonwealth, the sums set forth in section two shall be appropriated from the commonwealth economic development fund as established by section three hundred and one of chapter thirty-eight of the acts of nineteen hundred and ninety-five, and shall be for the several purposes and subject to the conditions specified herein and subject to the provisions of law regulating the disbursement of public funds and the conditions pertaining to appropriations in chapter thirty-eight of the acts of nineteen hundred and ninety-five for the fiscal year ending June