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**Chap. 136**

in accordance with the provisions of section fifty-four of chapter forty-four of the General Laws.

**SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved September 8, 1994.

**Chapter 137. AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF WAYLAND TO PAY CERTAIN UNPAID BILLS.**

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

The town treasurer of the town of Wayland is hereby authorized to pay from available funds to the Mystic Bituminous Products Co., Inc. the sum of twelve thousand one hundred and ninety-six dollars and seventy-eight cents and to R. H. White Construction Co, Inc. the sum of twenty-four thousand twenty-four dollars and forty-eight cents for work and materials furnished to said town, notwithstanding the failure of said town to comply with the appropriate provisions of law relative to competitive bidding in the awarding of the contracts.

Approved September 8, 1994.

**Chapter 138. AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING LIENS ON BETTERMENT ASSESSMENTS.**

*Whereas,* The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to immediately regulate liens on betterment assessments paid in full, 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 12 of chapter 80 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1992 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the second sentence the following two sentences:- Notwithstanding any other provision of this section or chapter eighty-three, if a county, city, town, or district elects to send notice to the owner of the land assessed indicating the amount of the assessment for the betterment, and said owner pays the amount due, no lien shall be recorded. The assessors shall indicate on the next tax bill that the amount of the betterment assessment has been paid and no further notation or demand shall be made on land so assessed.

Approved September 12, 1994.