

for the construction of new projects for the housing of elderly persons shall not apply to any housing project erected by the authority.

SECTION 4. For the purpose of defraying costs and expenses of the authority as provided in section nineteen of said chapter one hundred and twenty-one B, the county treasurer may pay such sums to the authority as may be appropriated therefor, and shall be repaid such sums in the manner provided in said section nineteen.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

*Approved October 29, 1973.*

**Chap. 957.** AN ACT EXTENDING FROM TWO TO THREE YEARS THE PERIOD WITHIN WHICH AN ACTION TO RECOVER DAMAGES FOR WRONGFUL DEATH SHALL BE COMMENCED.

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

SECTION 1. The last sentence of section 2 of chapter 229 of the General Laws, as appearing in section 1 of chapter 699 of the acts of 1973, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 2, the word "two", and inserting in place thereof the word: — three.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on January first, nineteen hundred and seventy-four, and shall apply to causes of action arising on or after said date.

*Approved October 29, 1973.*

**Chap. 958.** AN ACT PROVIDING THAT CERTAIN LICENSES FOR THE PURPOSES OF PLACING AND MAINTAINING FILL AND OTHER STRUCTURES IN AND OVER CERTAIN TIDEWATERS OF BOSTON HARBOR ADJACENT TO THE RESERVED CHANNEL IN SOUTH BOSTON BE IRREVOCABLE.

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

All licenses and authority to place solid fill, to maintain existing fill, to build and maintain bulkheads, to build, extend and widen wharves on piles or to construct other structures heretofore or hereafter granted under the applicable provisions of chapter ninety-one of the General Laws, with respect to premises in South Boston, Suffolk county, now owned by William T. King et al, Trustees, bounded northerly by Boston harbor, westerly by K Street, southerly by East First Street, and easterly by L Street, and more particularly described in deed dated January 13, 1904 to Daniel W. King et al, Trustees, recorded with Suffolk registry of deeds, book 2944, page 83, including without limitation the following licenses, namely: Licenses Nos. 1535, 2011, 2354 and 2455, dated respectively February second, eighteen hundred and ninety-three, May twenty-sixth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, April twenty-seventh, nineteen hundred and March seventh, nineteen hundred and one to Boston Fire Brick and Clay Retort Manufacturing Company, respectively recorded with said registry of deeds in book 2114, page 109, book 2447, page 618, book 2683, page 345 and book 2741,

page 314; Licenses Nos. 61, 214, and 231, dated respectively April twenty-fourth, nineteen hundred and thirteen, August first, nineteen hundred and sixteen and June ninth, nineteen hundred and twenty-two to Tarrant P. King et al, Trustees, respectively recorded with said registry of deeds in book 3727, page 501, book 3979, page 394 and book 4378, page 613; License No. 4732, dated September seventeenth, nineteen hundred and sixty-three, to William T. King et al, Trustees, recorded with said registry of deeds in book 7788, page 117; and License No. 5607, dated October first, nineteen hundred and sixty-nine to William T. King et al, Trustees, duly recorded with said registry of deeds, shall, notwithstanding any provision of general or special law to the contrary, be irrevocable, provided however that applicable provisions of said chapter ninety-one are or have been complied with, and that if, within ten years after the effective date of this act, the commonwealth or any of its political subdivisions shall take any land which has the benefit of said licenses, the damage recoverable by reason of such taking shall not exceed the actual cost of acquisition of said land by the owner from whom said taking is made, together with the cost to such owner of any buildings or improvements thereon, with interest at four per cent annually from the date any such cost was incurred.

The provisions of this act shall be subject to payment to the commonwealth of any increase of land value conferred as a result of this act, said value to be approved by the real estate review board after determination by an expert real estate appraiser selected by the department and paid for by the licensee.

Nothing in this act shall be considered as granting any fee in the commonwealth tidelands. *Approved October 29, 1973.*

**Chap. 959.** AN ACT PROVIDING FOR AN ADDITIONAL JUSTICE IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF THE ROXBURY DISTRICT.

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

**SECTION 1.** The first paragraph of section 6 of chapter 218 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence, as most recently amended by section 1 of chapter 356 of the acts of 1973, and inserting in place thereof the following sentence: — Each district court, other than the municipal court of the city of Boston, shall have one justice, except that the district court of Brockton, the third district court of Bristol, the district court of Springfield, the municipal court of the Dorchester district, the first district court of eastern Middlesex and the first district court of southern Middlesex shall have two justices each, and the municipal court of the Roxbury district, the third district court of eastern Middlesex and the central district court of Worcester shall have three justices each.

**SECTION 2.** Notwithstanding the provisions of the third paragraph of section six of chapter two hundred and eighteen of the General Laws, the number of special justices provided for the