

ACTS, 1981. - Chap. 108.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 90 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after the definition of "Motor cycle" the following definition:-

"Motorcycle split service brake system", a motorcycle brake system consisting of two or more subsystems actuated by a single control designed so that a leakage-type failure of a pressure component in a single subsystem, except structural failure of a housing that is common to all subsystems, shall not impair the operation of the other subsystems.

SECTION 2. The first paragraph of section 7 of said chapter 90, as most recently amended by section 1 of chapter 439 of the acts of 1978, is hereby further amended by striking out the ninth sentence and inserting in place thereof the following two sentences:- Each motorcycle shall have either a split service brake system or two independently actuated service brake systems. Any motorcycle which has a number or registration plate issued under the provisions of section six A of said chapter ninety or which was not manufactured with either a split service brake system or two independently actuated service brake systems, shall be required to have one brake system adequate to stop said motorcycle within a proper distance, as defined in rules and regulations made by the registrar.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect on April first, nineteen hundred and eighty-two.

Approved April 24, 1981.

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Chap. 108. AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TREASURER OF ESSEX COUNTY TO PAY CERTAIN UNPAID BILLS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the county treasurer of Essex county is hereby authorized to pay from any available funds in the county treasury such unpaid bills incurred by said county in the sums of thirty thousand six hundred and eighty-nine dollars and two cents for services rendered by certain medical examiners and pathologists prior to July first, nineteen hundred and seventy-nine, and twenty-one thousand seven hundred and sixty-eight dollars and sixty-eight cents for services rendered by certain medical examiners and pathologists in the fiscal year commencing July first, nineteen hundred and seventy-nine and ending June

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thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eighty.

SECTION 2. No bill shall be approved by the commissioners of said county or paid by said county treasurer 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 said 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.

SECTION 3. Any person who knowingly files a certificate required by section two, which is false, and who thereby receives payment for goods or services which were not received by or rendered to said county shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than one year or by a fine of not more than three hundred dollars, or both.

Approved April 24, 1981.

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Chap. 109. AN ACT INCREASING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF LOCAL ORDINANCES AND BY-LAWS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 21 of chapter 40 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the second sentence, as amended by section 1 of chapter 401 of the acts of 1977, and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:- They may, except as herein provided, affix penalties for breaches thereof not exceeding three hundred dollars for each offense, which shall enure to the town or to such uses as it may direct.

Approved April 24, 1981.

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Chap. 110. AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE STATE TREASURER TO PLACE HIS FACSIMILE SIGNATURE ON MINIBONDS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 49A of chapter 29 of the General Laws, as amended by chapter 519 of the acts of 1979, is hereby further amended by inserting after the penultimate sentence the following sentence:- A facsimile of the signature of the state treasurer on minibonds shall have the same validity and effect as his written signature.

Approved April 28, 1981.

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