

placed on the official ballot to be used at said election:—"Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and sixty, entitled 'An Act placing the office of the chief of the fire department of the town of Agawam under the civil service laws', be accepted?" If a majority of the votes in answer to said question is in the affirmative, then this act shall thereupon take full effect, but not otherwise.

Approved March 21, 1960.

Chap. 242. AN ACT PROVIDING THAT AUTOMOBILES PARKED UPON A WAY SHALL DISPLAY A WHITE OR AMBER LIGHT ON THE SIDE NEARER THE CENTER OF SAID WAY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

The first paragraph of section 7 of chapter 90 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the sixth sentence, as appearing in chapter 51 of the acts of 1933, and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:—Every automobile operated during the period from one half an hour after sunset to one half an hour before sunrise shall display at least two white lights, or lights of yellow or amber tint, or, if parked within the limits of a way, one white or amber light on the side of the automobile nearer the center of the way, and every motor cycle so operated at least one white light, or light of yellow or amber tint, and every such motor cycle with a side-car attached, in addition, one such light on the front of the side-car, and every motor truck, trailer and commercial motor vehicle used solely as such, having a carrying capacity of three tons or over, in addition, a green light attached to the extreme left of the front of such vehicle, so attached and adjusted as to indicate the extreme left lateral extension of the vehicle or load, which shall in all cases aforesaid be visible not less than two hundred feet in the direction toward which the vehicle is proceeding or facing; and every such motor vehicle shall display at least one red light in the reverse direction; provided, that an automobile need display no light when parked within the limits of a way in a space in which unlighted parking is permitted by the rules or regulations of the board or officer having control of such way.

Approved March 21, 1960.

Chap. 243. AN ACT ESTABLISHING CERTAIN MINIMUM PENALTIES FOR GIVING FALSE WEIGHT OR MEASURE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 177 of chapter 94 of the General Laws, as amended by chapter 176 of the acts of 1946, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 18 and in line 19, in each instance, the words "not more than",—so as to read as follows:—*Section 177.* Except as otherwise provided by section two hundred and forty-eight, whoever himself or by his servant or agent gives or attempts to give false or insufficient weight or measure, or inferentially misrepresents the weight or quantity of a commodity sold or delivered by weight or measure by stating a price without stating the weight or quantity of such commodity, such

price being in fact greater than the price advertised for such commodity or mutually understood by both parties to be the price for a given weight or measure, or demands or accepts payment in excess of the regularly quoted selling price of a commodity sold or delivered by weight or measure, or takes or attempts to take more than the quantity he represents when, as the buyer, he furnishes the weights, measures or weighing or measuring device by means of which the amount of commodity is determined, shall be punished for the first offence by a fine of fifty dollars, for the second offence by a fine of two hundred dollars, and for a subsequent offence by a fine of fifty dollars and by imprisonment for not less than one nor more than three months.

Approved March 23, 1960.

Chap. 244. AN ACT PROVIDING THAT CERTAIN PACKAGES OF FOOD SOLD AT RETAIL SHALL BEAR A STATEMENT AS TO PRICE PER POUND AND TOTAL SALES PRICE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Chapter 94 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 181, as amended by section 10 of chapter 261 of the acts of 1939, and inserting in place thereof the following section:—*Section 181.* Subject to the variations, tolerances and exemptions provided for by section one hundred and eighty-two, no person shall himself or by his agent or servant sell or offer for sale food in package form unless the net quantity of the contents is plainly and conspicuously marked on the outside of the package in terms of weight, measure or numerical count. No person shall himself or by his agent or servant sell or offer for sale at retail any meat, poultry or edible fish, except soft shell clams and oysters, in package form unless there is plainly and conspicuously marked on the outside of such package the price per pound of the contents and the total sales price. The first sentence of this section shall not apply to retail sales of food made from bulk if the quantity is weighed, measured or counted at the time of such sale by the retailer, nor to the sale of milk, cream or buttermilk in glass jars, as provided by section fifteen of chapter ninety-eight.

The director of standards and necessities of life shall enforce this and sections one hundred and eighty-two to one hundred and eighty-four, inclusive.

Approved March 23, 1960.

Chap. 245. AN ACT EXEMPTING THE REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF A FOREIGN INSURANCE COMPANY IN CERTAIN CASES FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE STATE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT REQUIRING AN OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING IN CONNECTION WITH REVOKED LICENSES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

The third paragraph of section 13 of chapter 30A of the General Laws, as appearing in section 1 of chapter 681 of the acts of 1954, is hereby amended by adding after the word "regulation", in line 14, the following:— ; or