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SECTION 3. Said section 11 of said chapter 93A is hereby further amended by adding the following paragraph:–

No action under the provisions of this section shall be brought or maintained in any court unless the parties to such action have a place of business in the commonwealth at the time the unfair method of competition, act or practice is employed.

Approved September 18, 1985.

Chapter 279. AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE REQUIREMENTS OF WRITTEN LEASES OR RENTAL AGREEMENTS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Chapter 93 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:–

~~Section 77 Every written lease or rental agreement of personal~~

property used primarily for household or family use shall include a designation by the lessor identifying each item of such property as being either new or used property. Whoever so leases or rents personal property and fails to comply with the provisions of this section, whether by failing to include such designation or by intentionally making a false designation, shall be assessed a civil penalty of not more than five hundred dollars for each such violation. Each written lease or rental agreement which fails to conform to the provisions of this section shall constitute a separate violation.

The attorney general may bring an action in the name of the commonwealth against any person violating this section by applying for a temporary restraining order or a preliminary or permanent injunction prohibiting further such violations by said person and may petition the court for an assessment of the civil penalties provided for in this section. Such actions shall be brought in the superior court of the county in which the person charged with such violations has his principal place of business.

This section shall not apply to the lease or rental of motor vehicles, as defined in chapter ninety, personal property used in business or to the rental of tools or garden equipment.

Approved September 18, 1985.

Chapter 280. AN ACT AUTHORIZING CREDIT UNIONS TO INVEST IN FEDERAL FUNDS WITH BANKING CORPORATIONS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

The second paragraph of section 21 of chapter 171 of the General

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striking out paragraph (o) and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:–

(o) Participate in federal funds with those banking corporations which are listed as eligible for such an investment, on the list of legal investments prepared pursuant to section fifteen A of chapter one hundred and sixty-seven.

Approved September 18, 1985.

Chapter 281. AN ACT AUTHORIZING A REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT DETERMINED AFTER CERTAIN TAXPAYER AUDITS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

1984 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:– If, as a result of such examination, the commissioner determines that the taxpayer has overpaid any tax, he shall reduce the assessment accordingly and refund the overpayment in accordance with the provisions of section thirty-six.

Approved September 18, 1985.

Chapter 282. AN ACT INCREASING THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT