

Chap. 18. AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT BY THE COMMONWEALTH OF A CERTAIN SUBSIDIARY OR ADDITIONAL RATE FOR GROUP INSURANCE COVERING CERTAIN ACTIVE AND RETIRED EMPLOYEES OF THE COMMONWEALTH AND THEIR DEPENDENTS.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose which is immediately to provide payment by the commonwealth of an increase in the premium required by public law 89-97 for supplementary medical insurance benefits commonly known as medicare part B of the federal health insurance for the aged act, for active and retired employees of the commonwealth insured under medicare and the commonwealth's optional medicare extension health insurance coverage, 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 1. In addition to the payment by the commonwealth provided in section eight of chapter thirty-two A of the General Laws, the commonwealth shall make payment in full, subject to an appropriation therefor, of such subsidiary or additional rate as may be determined by the group insurance commission as part of the total monthly cost of insurance purchased in accordance with the provisions of section ten C of said chapter thirty-two A.

SECTION 2. This act shall cease to be effective on December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and sixty-eight. *Approved February 21, 1968.*

Chap. 19. AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ANNUAL OBSERVANCE OF GRANDPARENTS' DAY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 12T of chapter 6 of the General Laws, as amended by chapter 297 of the acts of 1963, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word "Day", in line 6, the words: —, the first Sunday in October as Grandparents' Day, — so as to read as follows: —

Section 12T. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart the twenty-second day of February as Washington Day, the first Sunday in April as Veterans of World War I Hospital Day, the second Sunday in May as Mothers' Day, the third Sunday in June as Fathers' Day, the seventh day of August as Purple Heart Day, the first Sunday in October as Grandparents' Day, the first Sunday in December as Disabled American Veterans' Hospital Day and the second Saturday in December as Army and Navy Union Day; and recommending that said days be observed by the people in an appropriate manner.

Approved February 21, 1968.

Chap. 20. AN ACT PROVIDING THAT THE MINIMUM HEIGHT REQUIREMENT FOR APPLICANTS FOR THE POSITION OF CORRECTION OFFICER SHALL BE FIVE FEET SEVEN INCHES.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to provide forthwith for a reduction in the minimum height requirement for applicants for the position of correction officer,