

Chap. 740. AN ACT PROVIDING THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES MAY ACT AS A LICENSING AUTHORITY OF COMMON CARRIERS OF PASSENGERS IN CERTAIN CASES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1 of chapter 159A of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:—

If any application for a license under this section is not favorably acted upon within a period of sixty days after the filing thereof, the applicant may appeal to the department of public utilities within five days following the expiration of said period or, if notice of unfavorable action is sooner given, within five days of said notice, upon a petition in writing setting forth all the material facts in the case. The commission shall hold a hearing on each such appeal, requiring due notice to be given to all interested parties. If the commission approves the action of the licensing authority, it shall issue notice to that effect, but if the commission disapproves of said action, it shall act as a licensing authority and may issue a license which shall specify the route or routes on which a motor vehicle subject to this section may be operated and the number of vehicles which may be operated under such license.

Approved December 12, 1975.

Chap. 741. AN ACT EXTENDING THE HISTORIC BEACON HILL DISTRICT.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Chapter 616 of the acts of 1955, as amended by chapter 622 of the acts of 1963, is hereby further amended by inserting after section 1C the following three sections:—

Section 1D. The Historic Beacon Hill District, created by section one and enlarged and extended by sections one A, one B and one C, is hereby further enlarged and extended to include an area contiguous thereto bounded by a line described as follows:— starting from the intersection of the westerly side line of Bowdoin street and the northerly side line of Derne street; thence running westerly along the northerly side line of Derne street to the intersection of the westerly side line of Hancock street; thence running southerly along the westerly side line of Hancock street to the intersection of the northerly side line of Mount Vernon street; thence running westerly along the northerly side line of Mount Vernon street to the intersection of the westerly side line of Joy street; thence running southerly along the westerly side line of Joy street to the intersection of the northerly side line of Beacon street; thence running north-