

ACTS

Chap. 1. AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME WITHIN WHICH THE TOWN OF AMESBURY MAY BORROW THE SUM OF NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND THIRTY-FIVE DOLLARS IN ANTICIPATION OF STATE GRANTS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SEWERAGE TREATMENT PLANT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any provisions of section six A of chapter forty-four of the General Laws to the contrary, the treasurer of the town of Amesbury, with the approval of the board of selectmen, is hereby authorized to renew a state aid anticipation note of said town in the amount of ninety-five thousand thirty-five dollars in order to pay the balance of the state aid anticipation note of said town dated January twenty-second, nineteen hundred and seventy-six, and which was most recently renewed on September fifteenth, nineteen hundred and seventy-seven and payable January twentieth, nineteen hundred and seventy-eight. Notes issued under this act for a period of less than two years may be renewed or paid from time to time by the issue of other notes; provided, that the period from the date of an original note issued under this act to the maturity of any note issued to renew or pay the same debt shall not exceed two years.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved January 19, 1978

Chap. 2. AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF COHASSET TO RENEW CERTAIN FEDERAL AID ANTICIPATION NOTES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any provision of section three of chapter seventy-four of the acts of nineteen hundred and forty-five to the contrary, the treasurer of the town of Cohasset, with the approval of the selectmen of said town, is hereby authorized to issue federal aid anticipation notes of the town, in the principal amount of one hundred thousand dollars, payable in not more than one year from their dates, in order to pay the federal aid anticipation notes of the town in the same amount dated January twenty-seventh, nineteen hundred and seventy-six, which were renewed on January twenty-seventh, nineteen hundred and seventy-seven and which are payable January twenty-seventh, nineteen hundred and seventy-eight. Notes issued under this act for a period of less than one year may be renewed or paid from time to time by the issue of other notes, provided that the period from the date of an original note issued under this act to the maturity of any note issued to renew or pay the same debt shall not exceed one year.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved January 27, 1978

Chap. 3. AN ACT REGULATING THE LABELING, DISTRIBUTION, SALE, STORAGE, TRANSPORTATION, USE AND APPLICATION AND DISPOSAL OF PESTICIDES.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to conform to the laws of the Commonwealth with federal requirements on registration and certification of pesticides, 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. Section nine A of chapter seventeen of the General Laws is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. Sections eleven to twenty-two, inclusive, of chapter ninety-four B of the General Laws are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. The General Laws are hereby amended by inserting after chapter 132A the following chapter:-

CHAPTER 132B.

MASSACHUSETTS PESTICIDE CONTROL ACT.

Section 1. This chapter shall be known and may be cited as the Massachusetts Pesticide Control Act.

Section 2. Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, when used in this chapter, the following words and phrases shall have the following meanings:-

"Active ingredient", in the case of a pesticide other than a plant regulator, defoliant, or desiccant, an ingredient which prevents, destroys, repels, or mitigates any pest; in the case of a plant regulator, an ingredient which through physiological action accelerates or retards the rate of growth or rate of maturation or otherwise alters the behavior of ornamental or crop plants or the products thereof; in the case of a defoliant, an ingredient which causes the leaves or foliage to drop from a plant; and, in the case of a desiccant, an ingredient which artificially accelerates the drying of plant tissue.

"Administrator", the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

"Adulterated", when used with reference to a pesticide, any pesticide the strength or purity of which falls below the professed standard of purity as expressed on its labeling under which it is sold; a pesticide for which any substance has been substituted wholly or in part; or a pesticide from which any valuable constituent has been wholly or in part abstracted.

"Advisory council", a council established by regulations adopted by the department for the purposes set forth in section five.

"Agricultural commodity", a plant, or part thereof, or animal or animal product produced by a person primarily for sale, consumption, propagation, or other use by man or animals.

"Animal", all vertebrate and invertebrate species, including