

SENATE No. 713

By Mr. Bertonazzi, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 713) of Louis P. Bertonazzi for legislation to provide for lower insurance rates for persons receiving the benefits of community water fluoridation. Insurance.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Nine.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR LOWER INSURANCE RATES FOR PERSONS RECEIVING THE BENEFITS OF COMMUNITY WATER FLUORIDATION.

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

- 1 Section 1 of Chapter 175 of the Massachusetts General Laws
2 is hereby amended by inserting after section 108B the following
3 section: —
4 Section 108C. In fixing and establishing classification of risks
5 for accident and sickness coverage to residents of the
6 Commonwealth, an insurer authorized to issue policies of accident
7 and sickness in the Commonwealth shall provide for appropriate
8 reduction in the premium charges covering dental services to
9 policyholders who are certified by the insurer to be residents of
10 cities, towns, or water districts of Massachusetts that have
11 adjusted the fluoride content of their public water supply to a level
12 which is optimal for sound dental health.

By the Board of Directors, a report on the progress of the work of the Society during the year 1948 is presented. The report is divided into two parts, the first of which deals with the general activities of the Society and the second with the work of the various departments.

The Department of Chemistry

In the following report, the work of the Department of Chemistry is described.

1. The Department of Chemistry has been organized into three sections: Organic Chemistry, Inorganic Chemistry, and Physical Chemistry.
2. The Organic Chemistry section is headed by Professor J. H. Goldstein and is engaged in the study of the chemistry of the carbon atom.
3. The Inorganic Chemistry section is headed by Professor W. H. Rodebush and is engaged in the study of the chemistry of the elements other than carbon.
4. The Physical Chemistry section is headed by Professor R. M. Barrer and is engaged in the study of the physical properties of matter.
5. The Department of Chemistry has a staff of 15 full-time faculty members and 10 part-time faculty members.
6. The Department of Chemistry has a total enrollment of 120 students.
7. The Department of Chemistry has a total budget of \$100,000.
8. The Department of Chemistry has a total of 100 research papers published during the year.
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