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Chap. 38. AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE REPORTING OF TUBERCULOSIS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 111 of chapter 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the second paragraph, as amended by section 2 of chapter 129 of the acts of 1948, and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

The foregoing provisions of this section shall not apply to tuberculosis, nor shall the foregoing provisions of this section and the provisions of section one hundred and nine apply to venereal diseases as defined under section six, except in the case of eye infections in infants under two weeks of age. Any person having tuberculosis or a venereal disease shall be reported to local boards of health either directly or through the department in accordance with such special rules and regulations as the department may make, having due regard for the best interests of the public.

Approved April 6, 1983.

Chap. 39. AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE ENFORCEMENT OF CERTAIN MEDICAL ASSISTANCE REQUIREMENTS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Chapter 118E of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 19, as appearing in section 1 of chapter 800 of the acts of 1969, and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 19. The department shall distribute to all providers a copy of the rules, regulations, standards, and laws governing the medical assistance program established by this chapter and shall establish administrative sanctions against providers, including, but not limited to, suspension or termination from the program, for any violations of said rules, regulations, standards or laws. The department shall notify the proper professional society and licensing agency of any such violations.

Approved April 6, 1983.

Chap. 40. AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE THIRTIETH, NINE-

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TEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE TO PROVIDE FOR SUPPLEMENTING THE RESPITE CARE PROGRAM FOR THE DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. To provide for supplementing certain items in the general appropriations act and for certain new activities and projects, the sums set forth in section two for the several purposes and subject to the provisions of law regulating the disbursement of public funds and the conditions pertaining to appropriations in chapter one hundred and ninety-one of the acts of nineteen hundred and eighty-two, for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eighty-three or for such period as may be specified, the sums so appropriated to be in addition to any amounts available for the purpose.

SECTION 2.

Item DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES.

48000070 For a program of respite care for the developmentally disabled \$2,000,000

Board of Regents

7070-0006 For scholarship programs as provided in section one D of chapter fifteen of the General Laws, chapter seven hundred and twelve of the acts of nineteen hundred and sixty-six and section seven B of chapter sixty-nine of the General Laws including expenses for the last two prior fiscal years, as well as for senatorial honor scholarships and a statewide program in consortium scholarships to provide an opportunity for pursuing programs in the private sector that are not presently available in the public sector; provided, that all applications for such consortium scholarships must be approved by the board of regents and be subject to the rules and regulations with respect to eligibility as established by said board; and provided, further, that not more than one hundred and eightyfive thousand dollars shall be expended from this item for the purpose of administering scholarship programs; and provided further that this appropriation shall expire on June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eighty-four \$15,000,000

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7070-0060 For the administration of a program of matching scholarship grants and for payments of such grants to participating Massachusetts independent regionally accredited colleges, universities, schools of nursing, with funds to be apportioned according to amounts appropriated for each fiscal year; provided, that the chancellor of the board of regents may establish policies and regulations relating to the program, including an audit procedure to insure that institutions are in compliance with such policies and regulations; provided, further, that a participating institution shall be eligible to receive an amount equal to the institution's expenditure for scholarship aid to needy Massachusetts undergraduate students enrolled in said institution as full-time matriculating students in a course of study leading to an associate or bachelor's degree; and provided, further, that each participating institution shall agree to expend the grant awarded hereunder in direct financial assistance to needy Massachusetts students; and provided, further, that, students receiving such aid shall be ineligible for additional scholarship assistance provided by the commonwealth; and provided, further, that this appropriation shall expire on June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eighty-four

\$4,000,000

7070-0065 For a reserve for the administration of scholarship programs; provided that the board of regents shall submit a plan to the house and senate committees on ways and means for the distribution of monies under said programs no later than May tenth, nineteen hundred and eighty-three, provided further that no monies shall be expended for said purposes until thirty days after the submission of said plan to the house and senate committees on ways and means, subject however, to the condition that if neither the house nor senate committees on ways and means notifies said board of its disapproval of said plan within said thirty day period, implementation of said plan may proceed and monies may be expended in accordance with said plan; provided, further, that the limitations on the total amount of scholarships awarded to students of institutions of higher education supported by the commonwealth as set forth in

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section seven of chapter fifteen A of the General Laws shall not apply to scholarships awarded hereunder; and provided, further, that this appropriation shall expire on June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eighty-four

\$15,000,000

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 7, 1983.

Chap. 41. AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF TEWKSBURY TO CONTRACT FOR A SUPPLY OF WATER.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The town of Tewksbury, acting by and through its Deep Rock well water supply committee, is hereby authorized to contract for a supply of water for said town and its inhabitants for a period not exceeding thirty years; provided, that such contract has been authorized at an annual or special town meeting by a majority vote as defined in section one of chapter forty-four of the General Laws; and provided, further, that the department of environmental quality engineering has approved the use of the source of water supply. Such contract may include provisions for the payment by the town of annual charges based upon the delivery to the town of stated minimum amounts of water and for additional payments based upon the amount of water delivered in excess of such minimum amounts. Such contract may contain an option to purchase, together with such further provisions as may be agreed upon by the parties thereto.

SECTION 2. The action by the town of Tewksbury under Article 1 of the warrant for its special town meeting held on September twenty-seventh, nineteen hundred and eighty-two authorizing its Deep Rock well water supply committee to enter into a contract for a supply of water with BCI Geonetics, Inc., a New Hampshire corporation, containing provisions authorized by section one is hereby ratified, validated and confirmed, as if the provisions of section one were in effect at the time of the posting of the warrant for said meeting.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 7, 1983.
