

CHAP. 408. AN ACT PROVIDING RETIREMENT BOARDS AN ALTERNATIVE METHOD OF PREPARING THE ANNUAL STATEMENT RELATIVE TO THE STATUS OF A MEMBER'S ACCOUNT.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

Paragraph (i) of subdivision (5) of section 20 of chapter 32 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the last sentence, added by section 1 of chapter 642 of the acts of 1954, and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:— Such statement shall show either the total contribution since the member entered the retirement system, the total amount of interest which has accrued, and the combined total in the account as of the end of the previous calendar year, or the regular deductions for the previous calendar year, additional deductions, if any, for the previous calendar year, regular interest credited for the previous calendar year, and accumulated total deductions as of the close of the previous calendar year.

*Approved June 18, 1958.*

CHAP. 409. AN ACT PROVIDING THAT VETERANS OF WORLD WAR I WHO ARE RESIDENTS OF THE COMMONWEALTH MAY TAKE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION COURSES FREE OF CHARGE.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

Chapter 69 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 7A, as amended by section 20 of chapter 627 of the acts of 1954, and inserting in place thereof the following section:— *Section 7A.* In addition to the persons entitled to take university extension courses free of charge under section seven, the following persons shall be entitled to take such courses free of charge for a total period of not more than four years:—

Residents of the commonwealth while serving in the armed forces of the United States and stationed in the commonwealth.

World War I, World War II and Korean veterans, as defined in clause Forty-third of section seven of chapter four, who are residents of the commonwealth.

The commonwealth may accept and use such federal funds as may be available for the purposes of this section. *Approved June 18, 1958.*

CHAP. 410. AN ACT MAKING A MINOR WHO HAS ATTAINED THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN COMPETENT TO GIVE A VALID DISCHARGE FOR CERTAIN PAYMENTS MADE TO HIM UNDER CERTAIN INSURANCE POLICIES.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

Chapter 175 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 128 the following section:— *Section 128A.* Any minor domiciled in this commonwealth who has attained the age of eighteen years shall be deemed competent to receive and to give full acquittance and discharge for a payment or payments in an aggregate amount not exceeding two thousand dollars in any one year, made by any insurer as benefits payable to such minor in compliance with the provisions of an insurance policy, annuity contract or settlement agreement; pro-

vided that prior to such payment the company has not received written notice of the appointment of a duly qualified guardian of the property of such minor. No such minor shall be deemed competent to alienate the right to, or to anticipate, such payments.

This section shall not be deemed to affect the rights of minors under section one hundred and twenty-eight. *Approved June 18, 1958.*

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CHAP. 411. AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION TO THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF BOSTON OF THE QUESTION OF INCREASING THE SALARIES OF AND ESTABLISHING A MINIMUM ANNUAL SALARY FOR FIRE FIGHTERS AND UNIFORMED FIRE ALARM PERSONNEL IN SAID CITY.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

SECTION 1. The officers and members of the fire-fighting force of the fire department of the city of Boston shall receive such annual salary as shall from time to time be fixed by the fire commissioner with the approval of the mayor; provided, however, that the chief of department shall not receive as an annual salary less than eleven thousand nine hundred and forty dollars, nor an assistant chief less than ninety-eight hundred and forty dollars, nor a deputy chief less than eighty-eight hundred and forty dollars, nor a district chief less than eight thousand dollars, nor a captain less than sixty-nine hundred and sixty dollars, nor a lieutenant less than sixty-two hundred and eighty dollars, nor a fire fighter after the second year of service less than fifty-five hundred dollars or in the second year of service less than five thousand and thirty dollars or in the first year of service less than forty-eight hundred and eighty dollars.

SECTION 2. The officers and members of the fire alarm division of the fire department of said city shall receive such annual salary as shall from time to time be fixed by the fire commissioner with the approval of the mayor; provided, however, that the superintendent of fire alarm shall not receive as an annual salary less than eighty-eight hundred and forty dollars, nor an assistant superintendent less than eight thousand dollars, nor a general foreman of fire alarm construction or a radio supervisor less than seventy-three hundred and sixty dollars, nor a principal fire alarm operator or a foreman of inside wiremen or a foreman of linemen and cable splicers less than sixty-nine hundred and sixty dollars, nor a senior fire alarm operator or a radio operator or a working foreman machinist or a working foreman lineman and cable splicer or an inside wireman less than sixty-two hundred and eighty dollars, nor an electrical equipment repairman after the second year of service less than fifty-seven hundred dollars or in the second year of service less than five thousand and thirty dollars or in the first year of service less than forty-eight hundred and eighty dollars, nor a fire alarm operator or a radio repairman or a machinist or a cable splicer or a lineman or a motor equipment operator after the second year of service less than fifty-five hundred dollars or in the second year of service less than five thousand and thirty dollars or in the first year of service less than forty-eight hundred and eighty dollars.

SECTION 3. (a) If a petition is obtained, signed and filed, and signatures of petitioners thereon certified, and a certificate transmitted to