

factory to the board or committee having the matter in charge, or a deposit of money or other security for the faithful performance of such contracts; and such bonds or other security shall be deposited with the city treasurer until the contract has been carried out in all respects; and no such contract shall be altered except by a written agreement of the contractor, the sureties on his bond, and the officer or board making the contract, with the approval of the mayor affixed thereto. If the amount involved is between two hundred and one thousand dollars such bond or deposit may be required.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the board of aldermen of said city, subject to the provisions of its charter, but not otherwise.

*Approved January 26, 1956.*

AN ACT AUTHORIZING ADVANCES TO MUNICIPAL OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES ON ACCOUNT OF CERTAIN NECESSARY EXPENSES. *Chap. 21*

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

Chapter 44 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding after section 65, inserted by section 3 of chapter 635 of the acts of 1945, the following section: — *Section 66.* In any city having a plan E or plan D charter with the approval of the city manager, in any other city with the approval of the mayor, and in towns with the approval of the selectmen, advances may be made to any officer or employee thereof in anticipation of necessary expenses authorized to be incurred under the provisions of clause (34) of section five of chapter forty subject, however, to such regulations as the treasurer thereof shall from time to time prescribe.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 44, new § 66, added.

Cities and towns may advance funds to officers and employees under certain circumstances.

*Approved January 26, 1956.*

AN ACT RELATIVE TO SEWER BETTERMENT ASSESSMENTS IN THE TOWN OF NORTH ANDOVER. *Chap. 22*

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 380 of the acts of 1906 is hereby amended by striking out section 6, as most recently amended by chapter 117 of the acts of 1946, and inserting in place thereof the following section: — *Section 6.* The owners of estates benefited by and abutting on any streets or ways, public or private, in which sewers shall be laid under the provisions of this act, shall pay to said town toward defraying the cost of said sewer system or systems of sewerage and sewage disposal an assessment or betterment charge not exceeding in amount the sum of six cents per square foot of area within the depth of one hundred feet from the line of such street or way. In the case of corner estates abutting on more than one sewer street the same area shall not be assessed twice. No estate shall be deemed benefited unless or until a sewer has been constructed into which it can be