

allowance, be credited with a period not exceeding, in the aggregate, seven months during the period commencing the first day of April, nineteen hundred and forty-seven and ending the thirty-first day of October, nineteen hundred and forty-eight, during which time she was absent due to illness; provided, that she shall, within six months after the effective date of this act deposit in the annuity savings fund of the state retirement system such amount as the state board of retirement shall determine as being equal to that which she would have paid into said fund had she continued in such employment during said period of seven months, with regular interest thereon.

Approved August 10, 1956.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS ENGAGED IN THE PROCESSING OF FOOD.

Chap. 663

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 94 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the paragraph defining "Food", as amended by section 9 of chapter 334 of the acts of 1949, and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:—

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 94, § 1, etc., amended.

"Food", in sections one hundred and eighteen to one hundred and fifty-one, inclusive, one hundred and fifty-four to one hundred and fifty-six, inclusive, one hundred and eighty-one, one hundred and eighty-six to one hundred and ninety-six, inclusive, and three hundred and five C, includes all articles, whether simple, mixed or compound, used for food or drink, confectionery or condiment, by man or animal.

"Food", defined.

SECTION 2. Said chapter 94 is hereby further amended by inserting after section 305B the following section:—
Section 305C. No person engaged in the business of processing food for sale shall prepare, manufacture, pack, can, bottle, keep, expose, store, handle or distribute food without having obtained a certificate of registration from the department of public health. Said certificate of registration shall be valid so long as such person is engaged in said business, and said person shall notify the department upon the termination of his business. Said certificate of registration shall apply to one place of business only. The department shall send a copy of such registration to the board of health of the city or town in which said place of business is located. No person shall transport or cause to be transported into the commonwealth any bakery product for the purpose of sale without being registered as herein provided. The department may make such rules and regulations as may be necessary for the enforcement of this section.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 94, new § 305C, added.

Registration of persons engaged in the processing of food.

This section shall not apply to any person who is a licensed common victualler, purveyor of fresh fruits and vegetables, a farmer who produces and sells raw farm products, including eggs, persons licensed under sections ten B, forty, forty-eight A, fifty-three, sixty-five H, sixty-six, one hundred and eighteen, one hundred and thirty-nine A of this chapter or

licensed under chapter one hundred and thirty-eight, nor to any person who operates an establishment under the inspection of the meat inspection division of the bureau of animal industry of the United States department of agriculture, nor to retailers as defined in paragraph (f) of section fourteen E of chapter ninety-three.

Penalty.

Whoever violates any provision of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five nor more than two hundred dollars.

Approved August 10, 1956.

Chap.664 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE POWERS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE PROBATE COURTS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 215, § 30A, etc., amended.

Administrative committee of probate courts.

Chapter 215 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by chapter 330 of the acts of 1934, is hereby further amended by striking out section 30A and inserting in place thereof the following section:— *Section 30A.* There shall be an administrative committee of the probate courts, hereinafter called the committee, which shall consist of three judges thereof, assigned to service thereon by the chief justice of the supreme judicial court for such period of time as he may deem advisable. The committee shall be authorized to visit any probate court, as a committee or by subcommittee, to require uniform practice and procedure, to prescribe forms and records and the keeping thereof. The committee may require such records to be kept as may generally assist in the determination of the nature and volume and the time required to complete all the work of such probate courts. To promote co-ordination in the administration of the probate courts the committee may from time to time call conferences of any or all the judges thereof, or of other officials connected therewith, and the traveling expenses of such judges or officials for attending such conferences, and also the necessary expenses of the members of the committee incurred in the performance of their duties as aforesaid, shall, subject to the approval of the governor and council be paid from the state treasury. The committee shall from time to time establish forms for annual reports of the work of the several probate courts and registries of probate; and the several registers of probate shall annually, on or before October first, prepare and file with the committee uniform reports of the work of said courts and registries during the preceding court year.

Approved August 10, 1956.

Chap.665 AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO LIMIT BUILDINGS ACCORDING TO THEIR USE OR CONSTRUCTION TO SPECIFIED DISTRICTS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. There shall be in the city planning department of the city of Boston, or in such other department of