

the voters, and if it is accepted by the majority of the voters present and voting thereon by ballot it shall thereupon take full effect, and the meeting may then proceed to act on the other articles in the warrant. After the qualification of a majority of the sewer commissioners, meetings of the district shall be called by warrant under their hands, unless some other method be provided by by-law or vote of the district.

SECTION 3. Said chapter 612 is hereby further amended by striking out section 16 and inserting in place thereof the following section:— *Section 16.* This act shall take full effect upon its acceptance within five years from the effective date thereof by a majority of the registered voters of the territory included within said district described in section one of this act, present and voting thereon by use of a check list at a district meeting called in accordance with section three.

*Approved August 10, 1956.*

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF LEOMINSTER TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR THE PAYMENT OF AND TO PAY CERTAIN UNPAID BILLS AND TO BORROW FOR SAID PURPOSES.

*Chap. 673*

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

SECTION 1. For the purpose of discharging moral obligations, the city of Leominster is hereby authorized to appropriate one hundred twenty thousand dollars by taxation or from available funds or by borrowing, and thereafter pay certain liabilities incurred by said city for services and materials rendered to said city in the construction of the Northwest School in the year nineteen hundred and fifty-five, which bills are legally unenforceable against said city, said liabilities having been incurred in violation of the provisions of its charter and having been incurred in excess of existing appropriations.

SECTION 2. For the purpose of meeting the appropriations authorized to be made under section one of this act, the city of Leominster may borrow such sums as may be necessary not exceeding one hundred fifteen thousand dollars for a period of not more than ten years by the issue of bonds or notes which shall bear on their face the denomination, Northwest School Construction Loan, Act of 1956. Said borrowing shall be within the statutory limit and, except as otherwise provided in this act, shall be subject to the provisions of chapter forty-four of the General Laws, exclusive of the limitation contained in the first paragraph of section seven thereof; provided, however, that in the year in which the loan is first authorized to be issued the sum of five thousand dollars shall be raised by taxation or from available revenue funds.

SECTION 3. The school building committee of said city may approve any liability the payment of which is authorized under the provisions of section one of this act, for the purpose of qualifying the city for reimbursement of a portion of

the cost represented by said liabilities, in accordance with the provisions of chapter six hundred and forty-five of the acts of nineteen hundred and forty-eight, as amended, and with the approval of the school building assistance commission of the commonwealth.

SECTION 4. No bill shall be approved by the auditor of said city for payment or paid by the treasurer thereof under authority of this act unless and until certificates have been signed and filed with said city auditor, stating under the penalties of perjury that the goods, materials or services for which bills have been submitted were ordered by an official or an employee of said city, and that such goods and materials were delivered and actually received by said city or that such services were rendered to said city, or both.

SECTION 5. Any person who knowingly files a certificate required by section four, which is false, and who thereby receives payment for goods, materials or services which were not received by or rendered to said city, shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than one year or by a fine of not more than three hundred dollars or both.

SECTION 6. No payment shall be made by the city treasurer of Leominster of any liability authorized to be paid under the provisions of this act except upon further approval of the director of accounts of the bureau of accounts in the department of corporations and taxation. Said director, for said purpose, may investigate the accounts and financial transactions of any department, board, commission, or officer of said city relating to the construction of said Northwest School.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

*Approved August 10, 1956.*

*Chap.674* AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF ATHOL TO PAY A SUM OF MONEY TO EILEEN BROUILLET.

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

SECTION 1. In order to promote the public good, the town of Athol may appropriate and pay to Eileen Brouillet, widow of George A. Brouillet, former park superintendent in said town, the sum of two thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

*Approved August 10, 1956*

*Chap.675* AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE DISPOSITION OF THE FORMER STATE PRISON IN THE CHARLESTOWN DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF BOSTON.

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

SECTION 1. The commissioner of correction is hereby authorized and directed to transfer the land and buildings of the former state prison in the Charlestown district of the city of Boston to the department of public works for high-