

*Chap. 708* AN ACT ESTABLISHING A FINANCE ADVISORY BOARD FOR  
THE COMMONWEALTH.

Emergency  
preamble.

*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith a finance advisory board, therefore, it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

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

G. L. (Ter.  
Ed.), 6, § 17,  
etc., amended.

Certain  
officers to  
serve under  
governor  
and council.

SECTION 1. Chapter 6 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 17, as amended, and inserting in place thereof the following section:— *Section 17.* The armory commission, the art commission, the commission on administration and finance, the commissioner of veterans' services, the commissioners on uniform state laws, the public bequest commission, the state ballot law commission, the board of trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, the board of trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Holyoke, the milk regulation board, the alcoholic beverages control commission, the state housing board, the trustees of the state library, the state racing commission, the Greylock reservation commission, the Port of Boston commission, the Massachusetts commission against discrimination, the state airport management board, weather amendment board, council for the aging, Massachusetts commission on atomic energy, finance advisory board, the Massachusetts aeronautics commission and the Massachusetts rehabilitation commission shall serve under the governor and council, and shall be subject to such supervision as the governor and council deem necessary and proper.

G. L. (Ter.  
Ed.), 6, new  
§§ 97, 98,  
added.

Finance  
advisory  
board,  
established.

SECTION 2. Said chapter 6 is hereby further amended by adding at the end, under the caption FINANCE ADVISORY BOARD, the following two sections:— *Section 97.* There shall be a board, to be known as the finance advisory board, in this section and in section ninety-eight, called the board, to consist of the state treasurer and four members appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the council. Said members appointed by the governor shall be designated in their original appointments to serve for one, two, three and four years, respectively. Upon the expiration of the term of a member, his successor shall be appointed for a term of four years. At least two members appointed by the governor shall be persons with expert knowledge of the field of investment of funds. The governor shall, from time to time, designate one of the members as chairman. The members shall serve without compensation but shall receive their necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of their official duties. The commission on administration and finance shall provide the board with such clerical and other assistance as the board may deem necessary from time to time.

Membership,  
term, etc.

*Section 98.* It shall be the duty of the board (a) to survey the direct and contingent debt requirements of the commonwealth in all its phases at least quarterly; (b) to furnish the governor and council, the state treasurer, and the general court, through its committees on ways and means, with its recommendations on the following phases of the commonwealth's financial structure:— (1) the over-all debt pattern with respect to present and future maturity schedules and interest requirements; (2) times and methods for marketing prospective short and long-term bond and note issues, including rates of interest, maturities and other terms; (3) methods of refinancing maturing obligations; (4) volume of short-term debt; (5) size of present and prospective debt in relation to the marketability of the securities of the commonwealth; (6) the financing of self-liquidating projects; and (7) whether proposed expenditures should be financed from the sale of bonds; and (c) to furnish the state treasurer with advice and recommendations as to the investment of funds of the commonwealth.

Duties of the board.

*Approved September 26, 1956.*

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR JURISDICTION OF CERTAIN CLAIMS AGAINST THE COMMONWEALTH. *Chap. 709*

*Whereas,* The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to provide forthwith for jurisdiction of certain claims against the commonwealth, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Emergency preamble.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 258 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 1 the following three sections:— *Section 1A.* If a person sustains bodily injury by reason of a defect or want of repair on a way or sidewalk open to public use at the General Edward Lawrence Logan International Airport, and such injury or damage might have been prevented, or such defect or want of repair might have been remedied by reasonable care and diligence on the part of the commonwealth, he may if the commonwealth had or, by the exercise of proper care and diligence, might have had reasonable notice of the defect or want of repair, recover damages therefor from the commonwealth under the provisions of this chapter not to exceed five thousand dollars.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 258, new §§ 1A, 1B, 1C, added.

Recovery of damages from the commonwealth for certain bodily injuries.

*Section 1B.* A person so injured shall, within ten days thereafter, if such defect or want of repair is caused by or consists in part of snow or ice, or both, and in all other cases within thirty days thereafter give to the commonwealth notice of the name and place of residence of the person injured and the time, place and cause of said injury; and if the commonwealth does not pay the amount thereof he may

Notice by injured person.