

appear on the list of registered voters, is filed with the selectmen requesting that the question or questions involved in any such vote which has not become operative as aforesaid be submitted to the voters of the town at large, the operation of such vote shall be further suspended pending its determination as hereinafter provided, and the selectmen, within ten days after the filing of the petition, shall call a special meeting, which shall be held within fourteen days after the issuing of the call, for the purpose of presenting to the voters at large the question or questions so involved.

SECTION 2. Section one of this act shall be submitted for acceptance to the town meeting members of the town of Amesbury at the next annual town meeting under an article which the selectmen of said town are hereby directed to insert in the warrant for such meeting, and shall take full effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the town meeting members voting thereon. *Approved February 12, 1957.*

AN ACT REPEALING THE LAW PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION OF CERTAIN VOTES AND MOTIONS FOR REFERENDUM IN THE TOWN OF IPSWICH. *Chap. 70*

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 345 of the acts of 1922 is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted for acceptance to the registered voters of the town of Ipswich at the first annual town meeting after the passage of this act in the form of the following question, which shall be placed upon the official ballot to be used for the election of town officers:— "Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, entitled 'An Act repealing the law providing for the submission of certain votes and motions for referendum in the town of Ipswich' be accepted?" If a majority of the votes in answer to said question is in the affirmative, this act shall thereupon take full effect. If a majority of the votes in answer to said question is in the negative, then this act may again be submitted for acceptance in like manner to such voters at any town meeting within three years thereafter, and if it is not accepted, it shall become null and void. *Approved February 12, 1957.*

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON TO SELL AND CONVEY AN EASEMENT OVER CERTAIN PARK PROPERTY. *Chap. 71*

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

SECTION 1. The town of Great Barrington, with the approval of a majority of the board of park commissioners, may grant to Southern Berkshire Power & Electric Company an easement for the construction, maintenance and operation of poles and wires for the transmission of elec-

tricity on, over and across a portion of East Mountain park in said town. The proceeds thereof shall be used for the purposes stated in section sixty-three of chapter forty-four of the General Laws.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the town at a regular or special town meeting held during the current year.

*Approved February 12, 1957.*

*Chap. 72* AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ESTABLISHMENT OF OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES IN THE TOWN OF MILFORD.

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

SECTION 1. It is hereby declared that excessive curb parking of motor vehicles on the streets of the town of Milford and the lack of adequate off-street parking facilities create congestion, obstruct the free circulation of traffic, diminish property values, and endanger the health, safety and general welfare of the public; that the provision of conveniently located off-street parking facilities at a reasonable cost is therefore necessary to alleviate such conditions; and that the establishment of public off-street automobile parking facilities and fostering the provision of commercial, special purpose, or co-operative off-street automobile parking facilities are decreed to be a proper public or municipal purpose.

SECTION 2. *Definitions of Types of Parking Facilities.* — For the purposes of this act (1) public off-street automobile parking facilities are defined as accommodations provided by public authority for the parking of automobiles off the street or highway and open to public use, with or without charge. Such facilities may be publicly owned and publicly operated, or they may be publicly owned and privately operated; (2) commercial off-street automobile parking facilities are defined as accommodations provided by private enterprise for the parking of automobiles off the street or highway, open to public use for a fee; (3) special purpose off-street automobile parking facilities are defined as accommodations provided by public authority or private groups or individuals, for restricted use in connection with public improvements, particular businesses, theaters, hotels and other private enterprises, or combinations thereof, or as adjuncts to housing developments or private residence. Such facilities may or may not be jointly established and operated; (4) co-operative off-street automobile parking facilities are defined as accommodations provided by joint action of public and private interests. Parking facilities may consist of lots, garages or other structures and accessories; they may be surface facilities or facilities above or under the ground.

SECTION 3. The town of Milford is hereby authorized to establish a commission, to be known as the Milford Off-Street Parking Commission, hereinafter called the commission, for the purpose of establishing public off-street auto-