

that no building be erected upon such park or parks for a period of not more than three years without its approval.

*Approved May 2, 1955.*

AN ACT RELATING TO THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF LOCAL ZONING BOARDS OF APPEAL. Chap.325

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 40A of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 13, as appearing in section 2 of chapter 368 of the acts of 1954, and inserting in place thereof the following section:— *Section 13.* An appeal to the board of appeals established under section fourteen may be taken by any person aggrieved by reason of his inability to obtain a permit from any administrative official under the provisions of this chapter, or by any officer or board of the city or town, or by any person aggrieved by any order or decision of the inspector of buildings or other administrative official in violation of any provision of this chapter, or any ordinance or by-law adopted thereunder.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 40A, § 13, etc., amended.

Appeals under zoning laws, regulated.

A zoning ordinance or by-law may prescribe a reasonable time within which appeals under this section may be taken.

SECTION 2. Section 15 of said chapter 40A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out paragraph 1 and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:—

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 40A, § 15, etc., amended.

1. To hear and decide appeals taken as provided in section thirteen.

Same subject.

*Approved May 2, 1955.*

AN ACT PERMITTING PLANNING BOARDS TO DELEGATE CERTIFICATION OF PLANS NOT REQUIRING SUBDIVISION APPROVAL. Chap.326

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

SECTION 1. Section 81P of chapter 41 of the General Laws, as appearing in section 7 of chapter 674 of the acts of 1953, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:— Any person wishing to cause to be recorded a plan of land situated in a city or town in which the subdivision control law is in effect, who believes that his plan does not require approval under the subdivision control law, may submit his plan to the planning board of such city or town, and, if the board finds that the plan does not require such approval, it shall, without a public hearing and without unnecessary delay, cause to be endorsed thereon by a person authorized by it the words “approval under the subdivision control law not required”, or words of similar import, and his name signed thereto, and such endorsement shall be conclusive on all persons.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 41, § 81P, etc., amended.

Certification of certain plans under subdivision control law, regulated.

SECTION 2. Said section 81P of said chapter 41 is hereby further amended by adding at the end the following sentence:— The planning board of a city or town which has authorized

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 41, § 81P, etc., further amended.

Name of person endorsing plan to be recorded.

any person, other than a majority of the board, to endorse on a plan the approval of the board or to make any other certificate under the subdivision control law, shall transmit a written statement to the register of deeds and the recorder of the land court, signed by a majority of the board, giving the name of the person so authorized.

*Approved May 2, 1955.*

**Chap.327** AN ACT PROVIDING FOR EXAMINATION OF RECORDS OF HOUSING AUTHORITIES BY THE STATE AUDITOR.

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

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 121, § 26U, etc., amended.

Chapter 121 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 26U, as appearing in section 1 of chapter 574 of the acts of 1946, and inserting in place thereof the following section: — *Section 26U. Accounts, and Control by Housing Board.* — Each housing authority shall keep an accurate account of all its activities and of all its receipts and expenditures and shall annually in the month of January make a report thereof to the housing board, to the state auditor and to the mayor of the city or to the selectmen of the town within which such authority is organized, such reports to be in a form prescribed by the board, with the written approval of said auditor. The housing board or the said auditor may investigate the affairs of housing authorities and their dealings, transactions and relationships. They shall severally have the power to examine into the properties and records of housing authorities and to prescribe methods of accounting and the rendering of periodical reports in relation to projects undertaken by such housing authorities. The housing board may from time to time make, amend and repeal rules and regulations prescribing standards and stating principles governing the planning, construction, maintenance and operation of projects by housing authorities. Compliance with the Housing Authority Law, the rules and regulations adopted by the housing board hereunder, and the terms of a clearance or low-rent housing project approved by the housing board, may be enforced by a proceeding in equity. *Approved May 2, 1955.*

Audits of records of local housing authorities, authorized.

**Chap.328** AN ACT INCREASING THE COMPENSATION OF JURORS.

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

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 262, § 25, etc., amended.

Section 25 of chapter 262 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by chapter 335 of the acts of 1949, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 3, the word "ten" and inserting in place thereof the word: — twelve, — and by striking out, in line 4, the word "eight" and inserting in place thereof the word: — ten, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 25.* The compensation of traverse jurors impanelled to try cases of murder in the first degree shall be twelve dollars, and that of all other traverse jurors and of grand jurors ten dollars, for each day's service. All jurors

Compensation of jurors, increased.