

the department shall establish a fee to be charged for each manual, not to exceed the cost thereof.

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AN ACT RELATING TO THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF THE PUBLIC FORESTS, PARKS AND OTHER LANDS OF THE COMMONWEALTH. Chap.471

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

The department of natural resources, through its division of forests and parks, is hereby authorized and directed to make an inventory within the fiscal year next ensuing of the forests and other natural resources in the possession of the commonwealth, including acreage, whether forested or not, nurseries, the species, size, age, rate of increase, and present volume of timber, together with the area of unused land found in each state forest, park, watershed-protective or other lands in the possession or under the control of any board, officer, or institution of the commonwealth, including the department of public works and the metropolitan district commission.

The department shall also prepare an inventory of the educational, recreational, watershed-protective or other civic purpose for which such areas or any waters included therein are now used.

Upon receipt of such inventories, the department shall prepare a long-range plan, envisaging in the case of forest areas not less than half a century, for the appropriate use and development of such areas, including nurseries, for the benefit of the commonwealth and its people.

Such plan shall have as its objectives (1) to secure the maximum return from merchantable timber and other forest products for the use of the commonwealth or for sale; (2) to provide adequate watershed protection, ground water supplies and flood control; (3) to develop and maintain a natural environment for the recreation of the people, including hunting, fishing, bathing, boating, picnicking and the enjoyment of undisturbed natural surroundings; (4) to develop an adequate program of pest and disease control on a co-operative basis among state, county and municipal agencies.

The department shall study the use and further development of all public forests and lands, including the provision of nurseries, the acquisition of additional areas to make existing properties more serviceable to the public and to bring unused land into timber production or for any of the other uses mentioned above.

The division of planning of the department of commerce, the department of public works, the metropolitan district commission and all other officers, boards and institutions of the commonwealth are hereby instructed to render all possible assistance in carrying out the purpose of this act. The department shall report its findings under this act from time to

time, the final report to be filed not later than the first Wednesday of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-six.

The department is hereby authorized to expend for the purposes of this act such sums as may be appropriated therefor.

*Approved June 23, 1955.*

**Chap.472 AN ACT REGULATING THE ARSENIC CONTENT OF EMBALMING FLUIDS.**

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

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 114, new § 51, added.

Arsenic content of embalming fluids, regulated.

Chapter 114 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding at the end, under the caption EMBALMING FLUIDS, the following section: — *Section 51.* No person shall sell, offer for sale, or supply others with any embalming fluid, or any substitute therefor, which contains more than five tenths of one milligram of arsenic per litre. Violation of any provision of this section shall be punished by a fine of one thousand dollars or by imprisonment for one year, or both.

*Approved June 23, 1955.*

**Chap.473 AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION TO RAISE THE SEA WALL AT SHAW BEACH AND ROUGHAN'S POINT IN THE BEACHMONT SECTION OF REVERE.**

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

The metropolitan district commission is hereby authorized and directed to raise the sea wall at Shaw Beach and Roughan's Point in the Beachmont section of the city of Revere. Said commission may expend for said purpose such sums as may hereafter be appropriated therefor.

*Approved June 23, 1955.*

**Chap.474 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE COLLECTION OF POLL TAXES AFTER ASSESSMENT.**

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

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 60, § 5, etc., amended.

Collection of poll taxes.

SECTION 1. Section 5 of chapter 60 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by section 3 of chapter 258 of the acts of 1941, is hereby further amended by striking out the last sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence: — All laws relating to the collection of taxes, to the duties of collectors, and powers of collectors if action to enforce collection of poll taxes is instituted within seven years of commitment by the collector, to money collected as taxes, interest, charges and fees, to the accounting for and turning over of money so collected, and to the crediting thereof to the collector, shall apply, so far as pertinent, to the collection of poll taxes from the persons whose names appear on such lists.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 60, § 15, etc., amended.

SECTION 2. Section 15 of said chapter 60, as most recently amended by chapter 398 of the acts of 1952, is hereby