

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR NOTICE AND A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE APPROVAL OF INCREASE IN RATES OF FARE BY THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY. Chap.719

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 11 of chapter 544 of the acts of 1947 is hereby amended by adding at the end the following paragraph: —

No general increase in rates of fare as distinguished from an increase in rates of fare or charges for special service shall be approved until the department has held a public hearing thereon after notice has been given by the department to the mayors, city managers, boards of selectmen and town managers of the cities and towns constituting the authority and to members of the general court representing any portion of the territory constituting the authority and has been advertised by the department in at least one daily Boston newspaper at least fourteen days before such public hearing is to be held by the department.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved August 25, 1955

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TRUSTEES OF THE SOLDIERS' HOME IN MASSACHUSETTS TO PROVIDE LIMITED TRANSPORTATION FOR PATIENTS AND EMPLOYEES OF SAID HOME, AND VISITORS THERETO. Chap.720

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts are hereby authorized, upon compliance with the provisions of section eight A of chapter twenty-nine of the General Laws, and with the approval of the commission on administration and finance, to contract with a common carrier of persons for the transportation of patients and employees of the said Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, and visitors thereto from Bellingham square in the city of Chelsea to said Home, and return. The carrier so selected by said trustees shall, except as otherwise specifically provided herein, be subject to all the provisions of chapter one hundred and fifty-nine A of the General Laws. The carrier may make such stops on Washington avenue in said city as are necessary to pick up passengers proceeding to the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.
Approved August 25, 1955.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE ELIGIBILITY OF MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF PEABODY TO HOLD CERTAIN OTHER POSITIONS IN SAID CITY. Chap.721

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 37 of chapter 300 of the Special Acts of 1916 is hereby amended by striking out the second sen-

tence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence: — No member of the school committee, except the mayor, shall, while a member thereof, hold any other office or position the salary or compensation for which is payable out of the city treasury.

SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted for acceptance to the qualified voters of the city of Peabody at the regular city election to be held in the current year in the form of the following question, which shall be placed upon the official ballot to be used at said election: — “Shall an act passed by the general court in the year nineteen hundred and fifty-five, entitled ‘An Act relative to the eligibility of members of the school committee of the city of Peabody to hold certain other positions in said city’, be accepted?” If a majority of the votes in answer to said question are in the affirmative, then this act shall take full effect, but not otherwise.

Approved August 25, 1955.

Chap. 722 AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF A GOLF COURSE IN THE TOWN OF LONGMEADOW, THE CREATION OF THE SPRINGFIELD RECREATION AUTHORITY, AND PROVIDING FOR THE FINANCING OF SAID PROJECT.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The Springfield Recreation Authority, hereinafter created, is hereby authorized and empowered to construct, maintain, repair and operate a golf course on land hereinafter described and to issue its golf course revenue bonds, payable solely from revenue, to pay the cost of such golf course and appurtenances thereto.

SECTION 2. Golf course revenue bonds issued under the provisions of this act shall not be deemed to constitute a debt of the commonwealth or of any political subdivision thereof or a pledge of the faith and credit of the commonwealth or of any such political subdivision, but such bonds shall be payable solely from the funds herein provided therefor from revenues. All such golf course revenue bonds shall contain on the face thereof a statement to the effect that neither the authority nor the commonwealth nor any political subdivision thereof shall be obligated to pay the same or the interest thereon except from revenue of the golf course, and that neither the faith, the credit nor the taxing power of the commonwealth or of any political subdivision thereof is pledged to the payment of the principal of or the interest on said bonds.

SECTION 3. There is hereby created a body politic and corporate to be known as the Springfield Recreation Authority, which shall be deemed a public instrumentality for the purposes of this act, and by that name the authority may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, contract and be contracted with, and shall have an official seal and may alter the same at pleasure.