

AN ACT AUTHORIZING AGRICULTURAL AND OTHER CO-OPERATIVE CORPORATIONS WITHOUT CAPITAL STOCK TO PROVIDE IN BY-LAWS FOR VOTING OF MEMBERS BY PROXY. Chap. 23

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

Section 13 of chapter 157 of the General Laws, as appearing in the Tercentenary Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "directors", in line 6, the words: — ; for voting of members by proxy, and the mode thereof, within such limitations and restrictions as may be specified therein, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 13.* In addition to the powers granted by section thirteen of chapter one hundred and fifty-six, any corporation organized under section ten may provide in its by-laws for the election of directors by districts; for the election of advisory directors who are not members, the number of whom shall not be greater than one fifth the total number of directors; for voting of members by proxy, and the mode thereof, within such limitations and restrictions as may be specified therein; for voting of members by mail in elections and on questions concerning the operation and business of the corporation; for the admission, withdrawal, suspension or expulsion of members; for dues and assessments to be paid by members and the conditions under which such dues and assessments shall be imposed and collected; for determining the rights and interests of members in the property of the corporation, whether equal or unequal; for establishing the basis of voting by the members, especially whether the votes of all members shall be equal, or in proportion to the land area leased or used by each member for production of the products handled by the corporation, or in proportion to the quantity of such products delivered by each member to the corporation during the preceding year; for an approved or established form of marketing contract; and for fines or other penalties for violation of its by-laws or marketing contract. No by-law shall be amended or repealed nor any new by-law adopted, unless notice of the proposed action is given in the call for the meeting at which the proposal is to be considered, or in the call for the vote if the vote is to be taken by mail.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 157, § 13, amended.

Proxy voting in certain co-operative corporations, authorized.

*Approved January 27, 1954.*

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE POWER OF THE AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF BOSTON TO APPLY CERTAIN INCOME AND TAXES AND MAKE CERTAIN TRANSFERS IN CLOSING THE ACCOUNTS OF A FISCAL YEAR. Chap. 24

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

Section 3B of chapter 486 of the acts of 1909, inserted by section 1 of chapter 604 of the acts of 1941, is hereby amended by striking out the last sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:— After December tenth in each year the city auditor may, with the approval of the mayor in each instance, apply any income and taxes not disposed of