

AN ACT PROVIDING THAT THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL SERVICE MAY IN CERTAIN CASES FIX A MAXIMUM AGE REQUIREMENT FOR POLICE OFFICERS. Chap. 90

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to make existing provisions of the civil service laws relative to maximum age requirements applicable to police officers without delay, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience. Emergency preamble.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

The first paragraph of section 48 of chapter 31 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the last sentence, inserted by chapter 306 of the acts of 1953, and inserting in place thereof the following sentence: — In case an eligible list of at least two available persons is not established from a competitive examination for fire fighter or police officer, the director may, upon request of the appointing authority of a fire force or police force made within six months after the results of the examination are determined, hold another competitive examination in which he may fix a maximum age limit of not more than forty years. G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 31, § 48, etc., amended.
Age requirement for police officers extended in certain cases.

Approved February 9, 1954.

AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE GRANTING OF DIPLOMAS TO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ENTERING THE ARMED SERVICES OF THE UNITED STATES. Chap. 91

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Chapter 71 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 34C, inserted by chapter 67 of the acts of 1951, and inserting in place thereof the following section: — *Section 34C.* Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any person who enters the armed services of the United States during time of war or during a period of national emergency by declaration of the president of the United States and has completed the first half of his senior year in a public high school, and is in good standing in said school on the date of his entrance into said armed services, shall be granted a diploma forthwith and shall for all purposes be considered to have completed his entire high school course. G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 71, § 34C, etc., amended.
Granting of high school diplomas to certain persons in armed services, authorized.

Approved February 9, 1954.

AN ACT DEFINING COASTAL WATERS AS USED IN THE LAWS RELATING TO FISHERIES AND GAME. Chap. 92

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1 of chapter 131 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after the paragraph defining "Close season", as appearing in section 2 of chapter 599 of the acts of 1941, the following paragraph: — G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 131, § 1, etc., amended.