

mated liability to be apportioned to each city or town in any such region, and, on or before October fifteenth of each year, the commissioner shall certify to the state treasurer the amount to be collected and paid to the state treasurer, as provided by section twenty of chapter fifty-nine of the General Laws; provided, however, that on or before April first of the current year, the commissioner shall notify the state tax commissioner of the estimated liability to be apportioned to each city or town in any such region for the year nineteen hundred and fifty-four. For the purpose of this section the commissioner and the chief moth superintendent shall have the powers granted to them by applicable provisions of chapter one hundred and thirty-two of the General Laws.

SECTION 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of section one of chapter one hundred and forty-eight of the current year, as amended by section one of this act, the mayor of any city or the selectmen of any town may elect to postpone the initial payment required thereby until nineteen hundred and fifty-five and may make payment in three equal annual installments, upon notice in writing to the state tax commissioner of such election. In the event of such election the state tax commissioner shall state in his certification to the state treasurer, required by said section one, the amount to be collected under such election.

*Approved May 26, 1954.*

*Chap.476*

AN ACT IN FAVOR OF PHILANDER W. SOUTHWORTH.

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

SECTION 1. In order to correct a mistake in the pension being paid to Philander W. Southworth, a former employee of the department of public works, who initially qualified for such pension under the provisions of chapter four hundred and three of the acts of nineteen hundred and forty-eight, as amended by chapter six hundred and sixty-three of the acts of nineteen hundred and fifty, and chapter four hundred and forty-one of the acts of nineteen hundred and fifty-three, and who since July first, nineteen hundred and fifty-three, has been receiving full benefits thereunder, the department of public works is hereby authorized and directed to pay such sums as the said Philander W. Southworth was entitled to receive as a pension from July twenty-fourth, nineteen hundred and fifty, the effective date of the said chapter six hundred and sixty-three, until July first, nineteen hundred and fifty-three, the date upon which payments on the claim of the said Southworth were commenced.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

*Approved May 26, 1954.*