

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A COUNCIL FOR THE AGING.

Chap. 537

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 17 of chapter 6 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after the word "board" the second time it occurs in line 15, as appearing in section 1 of chapter 608 of the acts of 1953, the words:—, council for the aging, — so as to read as follows:— *Section 17.* The armory commission, the art commission, the commission on administration and finance, the commissioner of veterans' services, the commissioners on uniform state laws, the public bequest commission, the state ballot law commission, the board of trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, the board of trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Holyoke, the milk regulation board, the alcoholic beverages control commission, the state housing board, the trustees of the state library, the state racing commission, the Greylock reservation commission, the Port of Boston commission, the Massachusetts commission against discrimination, the outdoor advertising authority, the commission on alcoholism, the state airport management board, weather amendment board, council for the aging and the Massachusetts aeronautics commission shall serve under the governor and council, and shall be subject to such supervision as the governor and council deem necessary and proper.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 6, § 17, etc., amended.

Council for the aging, established.

SECTION 2. Said chapter 6 is hereby further amended by adding at the end, under the caption COUNCIL FOR THE AGING, the following section:— *Section 73.* There shall be a board, to be known as the council for the aging, hereinafter called the council, to consist of the commissioner of education, the commissioner of mental health, the commissioner of public health, the commissioner of public welfare, the commissioner of labor and industries, or their respective representatives, and four members to be appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the council. The members shall serve without compensation but shall receive their necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of their official duties. The chairman of the council shall be designated from time to time by the governor. Upon the expiration of the term of a member appointed by the governor, his successor shall be appointed in the same manner for a term of six years. Said council shall act in an advisory and consultative capacity with the general objective of co-ordinating within the several departments of the commonwealth programs designed to meet the problems of the aging and may promote, assist and co-ordinate activities designed to meet such problems at community levels.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 6, new § 73, added.

Membership of council.

Purpose of council.

SECTION 3. Of the members of the council for the aging first appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, under authority of this act, one shall be appointed for the term of one year, one for the term of two years, one for the term of three years and one for the term of four years.

Terms of members appointed by governor.

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