

five, seventy-nine, eighty-five, eighty-five A, eighty-five B, eighty-five D, eighty-seven, eighty-eight, eighty-nine, ninety, ninety-one, ninety-two, ninety-three, ninety-four, ninety-five, ninety-seven, ninety-eight, ninety-nine, one hundred and one, one hundred and two, one hundred and two B, one hundred and three, one hundred and four, one hundred and five, one hundred and six, one hundred and seven, one hundred and eight, one hundred and nine, one hundred and ten, one hundred and twenty-four, one hundred and twenty-five, one hundred and twenty-six, one hundred and thirty-two, one hundred and thirty-three, one hundred and thirty-four, one hundred and thirty-five, one hundred and thirty-six, one hundred and thirty-seven, one hundred and thirty-eight, one hundred and thirty-nine, one hundred and forty, one hundred and forty A and one hundred and forty-seven shall apply to civil actions before district courts, and no other sections of this chapter shall so apply, except to the municipal court of the city of Boston under section one hundred and forty-three.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect on October first of the current year and shall apply only to actions commenced thereafter.

Effective date,
applicability.

Approved June 9, 1954.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO CONVEY TO THE COMMONWEALTH CERTAIN SCHOOL LANDS IN SAID CITY FOR ARMORY PURPOSES.

Chap. 617

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Notwithstanding any contrary provision of general or special law, the city of Boston, acting by its mayor, may at any time convey without consideration to the commonwealth for armory purposes any land or building which at the time of conveyance is held by said city for school purposes and which the school committee, by a majority vote of all its members, shall have voted is no longer needed for school purposes; provided, that such conveyance is authorized by a majority of the board provided for by section one of chapter two hundred and fifty-nine of the acts of nineteen hundred and six as modified by section three of chapter three hundred and fifty-one of the acts of nineteen hundred and twenty-nine.

Approved June 9, 1954.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE DISPOSITION OF CERTAIN FUNDS AUTHORIZED TO BE RAISED FOR THE ALLEVIATION OF FINANCIAL BURDENS RESULTING FROM THE NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY-THREE TORNADO.

Chap. 618

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Chapter 651 of the acts of 1953 is hereby amended by striking out section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following section: — *Section 2.* Any funds remaining in the hands of the commission on June thirtieth, nineteen hun-

dred and fifty-five, shall be available for the payment of any principal and interest due thereafter on bonds authorized by this act.

Approved June 9, 1954.

Chap.619 AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DRACUT WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT TO SUPPLY AND SELL WATER TO THE INHABITANTS OF A CERTAIN PORTION OF THE TOWN OF TYNGSBOROUGH.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1 of chapter 498 of the acts of 1953 is hereby amended by adding at the end the following:— Also the inhabitants of the town of Tyngsborough upon and within the area bounded and described as follows: starting at a stone bound on Frost road; thence northerly along Frost road in a curved line a distance of 934.35 feet to a stone bound; thence in a westerly direction along land now or formerly of William B. Spaulding a distance of 694.43 feet to a stone bound; thence turning at an angle of 75° 40' 16" and running in a southeasterly direction along land now or formerly of said William B. Spaulding a distance of 1208.57 feet; thence turning at an angle of 77° 46' 08" and running in a northeasterly direction a distance of 543.00 feet to the stone bound at the point of beginning.

Approved June 9, 1954.

Chap.620 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A SELECTMEN-EXECUTIVE-SECRETARY FORM OF GOVERNMENT FOR THE TOWN OF IPSWICH.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Upon the acceptance of this act by the town of Ipswich, as hereinafter provided, the annual town election of said town for the purpose of electing town officers and to take action on such matters as are by law to be determined by ballot, shall be held on the second Monday of March in each year, and the annual meeting for the transaction of all other business shall be held on the first Monday of March in each year at half past seven o'clock in the evening.

SECTION 2. *Election of Selectmen, terms, vacancies.*— At the first town election following acceptance of this act, the registered voters of the town shall elect two selectmen for three years, two selectmen for two years, and one selectman for one year. At each annual town election thereafter the voters shall elect selectmen for three-year terms to replace those whose terms expire. When a vacancy occurs among the selectmen by reason of death, resignation, change of residence from the town or other disability, the remaining selectmen shall have the power to fill the vacancy until the next annual town election, at which the voters shall elect a selectman for the remainder of the unexpired term. The selectmen shall serve until their respective successors are