

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE LEASING BY CITIES AND TOWNS  
OF SUITABLE HEADQUARTERS FOR VETERANS' ORGAN-  
IZATIONS. Chap. 343

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 40 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the first paragraph of section 9, as most recently amended by section 3 of chapter 118 of the acts of the current year, and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:— A city or town may, for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for such post or posts of any veterans' organization incorporated or chartered by the congress of the United States, as have been in operation for at least three years, lease for a period not exceeding five years buildings or parts of buildings which shall be under the direction and control of such post or posts subject to regulations made in cities by the mayor with the approval of the council and in towns by vote of the town, and for said purposes a town with a valuation of less than five million dollars may annually appropriate not more than two thousand dollars; a town with a valuation of five million dollars but not more than twenty-five million dollars may annually appropriate not more than three thousand dollars; a town with a valuation of more than twenty-five million dollars but not more than fifty million dollars may annually appropriate not more than four thousand dollars; a town with a valuation of more than fifty million dollars but not more than seventy-five million dollars may annually appropriate not more than five thousand dollars; a town with a valuation of more than seventy-five million dollars but not more than one hundred million dollars may annually appropriate not more than six thousand dollars; a town with a valuation of more than one hundred million dollars but not more than one hundred and twenty-five million dollars may annually appropriate not more than seven thousand dollars; a town with a valuation of more than one hundred and twenty-five million dollars but not more than one hundred and fifty million dollars may annually appropriate not more than eight thousand dollars; and a town with a valuation of more than one hundred and fifty million dollars may annually appropriate eight thousand dollars, and in addition three thousand dollars for each additional one hundred and fifty million dollars of valuation, or major fraction thereof. The city council of a city may, by a two thirds vote, appropriate money for armories for the use of the state militia, for the celebration of holidays, for the purpose of providing or defraying the expenses of suitable quarters for posts of the Grand Army of the Republic, including the heating and lighting of such quarters, and for other like public purposes to an amount not exceeding in any one year one fiftieth of one per cent of its valuation for such year.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 40, § 9, etc., amended.

Leasing by cities and towns of headquarters for veterans' organizations regulated.

SECTION 2. The provisions of section nine of chapter forty of the General Laws, as existing immediately prior to the effective date of this act, shall continue to apply in a city or town with respect to the veterans' organizations specified in said provisions as so existing.

*Approved May 25, 1949.*

**Chap.344** AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEWTON TO SELL AND CONVEY CERTAIN LAND HELD BY IT FOR PLAYGROUND PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. The city of Newton, by its mayor when so authorized by the board of aldermen, may sell and convey free and clear from any obligation to use the same for playground purposes and any other public purposes a certain parcel of land situated on Winchester street in said city and described as follows: — Beginning at a point in the easterly line of Winchester street distant 94.90 feet northerly from the southerly tangent point of a curve of 760.73 radius in said easterly line of Winchester street; thence northerly 100.72 feet by Winchester street; thence easterly 194 feet by land of George C. Scully and William R. Scully; thence southerly 100 feet by Upland avenue; thence westerly 205.52 feet by land of Arkley S. Richards to the point of beginning. Said parcel of land containing 20,059 square feet is shown as Lot 47 of Section 53, Block 27 on the Assessors' Plans, and being the same lot as taken for playground purposes and shown as Plan No. 23031, dated November 10, 1930, William P. Morse, City Engineer. The title to said parcel of land was formerly in the name of Dewey G. Freeman — area 19,800 square feet.

SECTION 2. The proceeds of the sale of said real estate shall be used only for the purpose of improving parks and playgrounds laid out under chapter forty-five of the General Laws.

SECTION 3. This act shall take full effect upon its acceptance by the recreation commission and by the board of aldermen of said city, subject to the provisions of its charter, during the current year. *Approved May 25, 1949.*

**Chap.345** AN ACT PROHIBITING HAIRDRESSING SCHOOLS CHARGING FOR SERVICES OR MATERIALS USED IN CONNECTION WITH HAIRDRESSING OR MANICURING.

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

Section 87U of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by section 3 of chapter 626 of the acts of 1941, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word "customer", in line 7, the words: — , and no school shall directly or indirectly make any charge for services or materials in connection with such practice of hairdressing or mani-