

cause of location wholly more than fifteen miles from the state house, or because otherwise not within reasonable reach of the distribution system as provided in paragraph (1) of this section, to any water company, or to any water, fire or fire and water district, authority to purchase the same being hereby granted, and may lay and maintain pipe lines and other works necessary therefor upon terms and conditions to be mutually agreed upon by the commission and said town or group of towns, water company or district.

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

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Chap. 386 AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE TIME OF PAYMENT OF THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

Emergency preamble.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to make available forthwith to the employees of the commonwealth the provisions hereof, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 29, § 31, etc., amended.

Time of payment of salaries of certain employees of the commonwealth.

Chapter 29 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 31, as most recently amended by section 1 of chapter 580 of the acts of 1946, and inserting in place thereof the following section: — *Section 31.* Salaries payable by the commonwealth shall, unless otherwise provided, be paid on the first day of each month, and shall be in full for all services rendered to the commonwealth by the persons to whom they are paid. Weekly advances on account of salaries shall be made upon request of any employee, under such regulations as the state treasurer may prescribe, not exceeding the proportion of salary then due. No salary shall be paid to any person for a longer period than that during which he has been actually employed in the duties of his office. If a salary shall be diminished, no greater rate shall be paid because of any previous appropriation therefor. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this section, the annual salary of each teacher and each supervisor employed in any school or college within any department of the commonwealth, whose regular service is rendered from September first to June thirtieth, shall be for his service for the number of weeks established by the department for such school to be in session during said period, payable, however, in equal instalments on the first day of each month, and the amount earned and unpaid at the time of his resignation, retirement, death or entry on leave of absence shall be paid forthwith to the persons entitled thereto, and advances of pay may be made to any state officer or employee in advance of his regular vacation to the extent of the pay to which he is about to become entitled during such vacation period under such regulations as the state treasurer may prescribe.

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