

*Chap. 598* AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION BY THE CITY OF BOSTON OF A SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT AND APPURTENANT WORKS.

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

SECTION 1. The city of Boston is hereby authorized to construct a sewage treatment plant and appurtenant works at the Calf Pasture pumping station, so called, in the Dorchester district of said city in general accordance with plans approved by the state department of public health, and to reconstruct and alter the existing sewerage works of said city at said pumping station, at Moon island in Boston harbor, and at other locations within the Boston main drainage system, so called. The construction of said sewage treatment plant shall be commenced not later than April first, nineteen hundred and fifty and shall be completed prior to July first, nineteen hundred and fifty-five. Section thirteen of chapter seven hundred and five of the acts of nineteen hundred and forty-five shall govern the disposal of sludge from said sewage treatment plant. Said city may acquire by eminent domain under chapter seventy-nine or chapter eighty A of the General Laws, or by purchase, gift, devise or otherwise any lands or rights therein, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, water rights and privileges necessary for the establishment and operation of a system of sewage treatment.

SECTION 2. For the purpose of providing funds to meet the expenses of carrying out the provisions of this act, the city of Boston may borrow, from time to time, not exceeding in the aggregate twelve million dollars, and may issue bonds or notes therefor which shall bear on their face the words: — City of Boston, Sewage Treatment Plant, Act of 1949. Each issue shall constitute a separate loan and such loans shall be paid in not more than thirty years from their dates. Indebtedness incurred under this act shall be outside the statutory limit of indebtedness, but shall, except as herein otherwise provided, be subject to all laws relative to the incurring of debt by said city exclusive of the first paragraph of section seven of chapter forty-four of the General Laws.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

*Approved July 25, 1949.*

*Chap. 599* AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE PAYMENT OF VETERANS' BENEFITS IN CERTAIN EMERGENCY CASES.

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

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 115, § 5, etc., amended.

Section 5 of chapter 115 of the General Laws, as amended by section 2 of chapter 535 of the acts of 1948, is hereby further amended by striking out the last paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph: —

Nothing in this chapter shall be deemed to prohibit the granting of veterans' benefits by a city or town in excess of

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the amount authorized or approved by the commissioner in any particular case, or the paying of such benefits as may be necessary to meet the emergency needs of any applicant prior to the date of the approval by the commissioner of the payment of benefits under any such application if the veterans' agent making such grant or payment forthwith furnishes the commissioner with a written statement of his reasons for taking such action.

*Approved July 25, 1949.*

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE COMPENSATION TO BE PAID TO CERTAIN VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II WHO RECEIVED DELAYED PROMOTIONS, AND PROVIDING FOR THE COMPUTATION OF SENIORITY DATES IN CONNECTION WITH CERTAIN PUBLIC OFFICERS WHOSE RIGHTS WERE PREJUDICED BY THEIR MILITARY OR NAVAL SERVICE.

*Chap. 600*

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

Chapter 708 of the acts of 1941, as amended, is hereby further amended by inserting after section 24A, inserted by section 1 of chapter 447 of the acts of 1948, the following section:— *Section 24B.* Any permanent employee of the commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof, who was eligible to be transferred or promoted to a higher rating, either on a temporary or permanent basis, but his transfer or promotion was delayed because of service in the military or naval forces of the United States and the position actually was filled by an employee with less seniority on a temporary basis during said permanent employee's absence, and who passes a competitive promotional examination and receives a subsequent permanent appointment, shall thereafter have the same salary rating and seniority rights that he would have if his transfer or promotion had occurred at the time said position actually was filled by an employee with less seniority as aforesaid.

*Approved July 25, 1949.*

AN ACT FURTHER PROVIDING FOR THE CARE OF CERTAIN INFANTS.

*Chap. 601*

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 67A, as amended by section 1 of chapter 246 of the acts of 1939, and inserting in place thereof the following section:— *Section 67A.* If an infant weighing five and one half pounds or less at birth is born in a hospital, the superintendent or other person in charge of such hospital shall file immediately with the board of health of the town in which the mother of such infant resides a written report stating the name and location of the hospital, name and address of the parents and the date of delivery, sex and color of child.

If an infant weighing five and one half pounds or less at birth is born in a place other than a hospital, the physician having charge of the birth of such infant shall notify the

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 111, § 67A, etc., amended.

Report of birth of infant weighing five and one half pounds or less.