

every life company shall, on or before the first day of April of each year, make a report in writing to the commissioner of all unclaimed funds as defined in section one hundred and forty-nine A held or owing by it on the thirty-first day of December next preceding. Such report shall be signed and sworn to by an officer of such insurer and shall set forth with respect to each policy under which such unclaimed funds are due, owing and payable (1) in alphabetical order, the full name of the insured, his last post office address, his policy number and his policy age; (2) the amount of unclaimed funds due, owing and payable under the policy; (3) the full name of each beneficiary named in the policy or appearing in the records of the insurer and the last known address of such beneficiary; and (4) the date on which such unclaimed funds became payable.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 175, § 149C, etc., amended.
Payment to state treasurer.

SECTION 3. Section 149C of said chapter 175, as so inserted, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 2, the word "domestic", — so as to read as follows:— *Section 149C.* On or before the first day of September in each year, each life company shall pay over to the state treasurer all unclaimed funds set forth in the report required by section one hundred and forty-nine B, excepting any funds which since the date of such report have ceased to be unclaimed. Each such payment shall be accompanied by a duplicate of the report made under section one hundred and forty-nine B, together with a statement with respect to any funds which since the date of such report have ceased to be unclaimed.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 175, § 149D, etc., amended.

Commonwealth to assume certain obligations in respect to.

SECTION 4. Section 149D of said chapter 175 is hereby amended by striking out the last sentence, as amended by section 1 of chapter 694 of the acts of 1949, and inserting in place thereof the following:— All money paid into the state treasury shall be credited to the Veterans' Services Fund, established by section one of chapter six hundred and eight of the acts of nineteen hundred and forty-six. Any person may, however, establish his claim for money paid to the state treasurer under the provisions of sections one hundred and forty-nine A to one hundred and forty-nine D, inclusive, and any claim so established to the satisfaction of the attorney general shall be paid from funds appropriated for the purpose.

Approved June 12, 1950.

Chap. 524 AN ACT AUTHORIZING COUNTIES AND TOWNS TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF NON-TIDAL RIVERS AND STREAMS AND PUBLIC BEACHES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 91, § 29, amended.

Counties and towns may appropriate

Chapter 91 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 29, as appearing in the Tercentenary Edition, and inserting in place thereof the following section:— *Section 29.* A county or town may appropriate money for the improvement of tidal and non-tidal rivers

and streams, harbors, tide waters, foreshores and shores along a public beach within its jurisdiction, and the money so appropriated shall be paid to the state treasurer and be expended by the department for said purposes within the limits of such town; and the town may also assume liability for all damages to property suffered by any person by any taking of land, or of any right, interest or easement therein, within the town made by said department for the purposes hereinbefore authorized.

money and assume liabilities for certain improvements, etc.

Approved June 12, 1950.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE CONTENTS OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS PREPARED BY THE REGISTRAR OF MOTOR VEHICLES FOR THE INSPECTION OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

Chap. 525

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 7A of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by chapter 140 of the acts of 1950, is hereby further amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following two sentences: — The registrar shall include in the rules and regulations prepared by him under section thirty-one, rules and regulations providing for the periodic inspection of all motor vehicles and trailers, for the purpose of determining whether they are provided with the following equipment maintained in good order, to wit: — brakes, lights, horn, muffler, steering gear, windshield, windshield cleaner and number plates, and also rules and regulations in respect to school buses, providing, in place of the periodic inspections hereinbefore referred to, for the inspection of those not subject to the jurisdiction of the department of public utilities, during the first week of the months of January, March, May, September and November in each year. He may make rules and regulations providing for the inspection of second hand motor vehicles and trailers which are registered between one inspection period and the next ensuing inspection period.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 90, § 7A, etc., amended.

Periodic inspection of motor vehicles.

Approved June 12, 1950.

AN ACT PROVIDING THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES SHALL HOLD HEARINGS ON APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS FOR INCREASES IN RATES OR REDUCTIONS IN SERVICE IN THE CITIES AND TOWNS OR AREAS TO WHICH THE DECISION OF THE DEPARTMENT WOULD APPLY.

Chap. 526

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Chapter 25 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 4, as amended by chapter 221 of the acts of 1938, the following section: — *Section 4A.* Upon any application or petition for an increase in rates or reduction of service by any corporation subject to the jurisdiction of the department, the commission shall hold a hearing upon such application or petition in the city or town

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 25, new § 4A, added. Commission to hold hearings for increase in rates or reduction of service.