

hundred and fifty dollars or more in any base period beginning with the nineteen hundred and forty-five base period. On or after April first, nineteen hundred and forty-six, and at the time of the first filing of a claim in any benefit year, such persons may elect to file a claim under said chapter one hundred and fifty-one A, based on wages earned subsequent to said termination of such service and in the base period then in effect, or to file a claim for readjustment allowances under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 or any similar act of congress. If any such person elects to file a claim for readjustment allowances under the provisions of Title V of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 or a claim for payments with respect to unemployment under any similar act of congress he shall be disqualified for benefits under said chapter one hundred and fifty-one A for the then current benefit year unless he has exhausted such readjustment allowances or such payments under any other act of congress. Any person who is receiving readjustment allowances under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 as of April first, nineteen hundred and forty-six, and who has been paid wages of one hundred and fifty dollars or more in the nineteen hundred and forty-five base period subsequent to the termination of his active military or naval service, may file on or after April first, but not later than April thirtieth, nineteen hundred and forty-six, a claim under said chapter one hundred and fifty-one A in like manner as hereinbefore set forth in this section.

*Approved March 28, 1946.*

AN ACT PENALIZING THE USE FOR TRADE PURPOSES OF THE WORDS "ARMY", "NAVY" AND OTHER WORDS DENOTING BRANCHES OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.

*Chap. 169*

*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to immediately prohibit the use by private mercantile establishments of certain military and naval words so as to protect the public against being led to believe that such establishments are government agencies, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Emergency preamble.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter one hundred and ten of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section four A the following section:— *Section 4B*. No person, firm, corporation or association, other than an agency or instrumentality of the United States government, selling or offering for sale goods, wares or merchandise, shall use, or cause or permit to be used, in the corporate or trade name thereof, or in the description of the seller or of the place where the goods, wares or merchandise are offered for sale or sold, the words or phrases "Army", "Navy", "Marine Corps", "Marines",

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 110, new § 4B, added.

Use of certain words in business name forbidden.

“Coast Guard”, “Government”, “Post Exchange”, “P-X” or “G. I.”, or any of such words or phrases, or any word or phrase which may lead the public to believe that the seller or his or its place of business is owned, operated or managed by the United States government or any agency thereof.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 110, § 26, amended.

SECTION 2. Section twenty-six of said chapter one hundred and ten, as appearing in the Tercentenary Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the letter “A” in the first line the following:—, four B,— so as to read as follows:— *Section 26.* Violations of any provision of section four A, four B, eleven, twelve or thirteen shall be punished by a fine of not more than two hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than one year, or both.

Penalty.

Certain exemptions.

SECTION 3. Section four B of chapter one hundred and ten of the General Laws, inserted by section one of this act, shall not apply to any person, firm, corporation or association subject to its terms who or which was engaged, on April first, nineteen hundred and forty-six, in selling or offering for sale goods, wares or merchandise and used in his or its corporate or trade name, or in the description of the seller or of the place where the goods, wares or merchandise offered were for sale or sold, any of the words or phrases set forth or referred to in said section four B.

*Approved April 2, 1946.*

*Chap. 170* AN ACT INCREASING BENEFIT PAYMENTS AND MAKING CERTAIN OTHER CHANGES IN THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW.

Emergency preamble.

*Whereas,* The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat one of its principal purposes, which is to make available immediately during the present emergency increased benefits under the employment security law, to be computed from April first of the current year, therefore this act 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.), 151A, § 29, etc., amended.

SECTION 1. Effective as of April first, nineteen hundred and forty-six, section twenty-nine of chapter one hundred and fifty-one A of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out subsection (a), as most recently amended by section one of chapter four hundred and eighty-four of the acts of nineteen hundred and forty-five, and inserting in place thereof the following subsection:— (a) An individual in total unemployment and otherwise eligible for benefits shall be paid for each week of unemployment an amount based on the highest quarterly wage of his base period, as provided in the following table:—

Unemployment benefits payable.