

section seven of this chapter, and has held such office or position for not less than three years, shall not be involuntarily separated from such office or position except subject to and in accordance with the provisions of sections forty-three and forty-five of said chapter thirty-one to the same extent as if said office or position were classified under said chapter. If the separation in the case of such unclassified offices or positions results from lack of work or lack of money, such a veteran shall not be separated from his office or position while similar offices or positions in the same group or grade, as defined in section forty-five of this chapter, exist unless all such offices or positions are held by such veterans, in which case such separation shall occur in the inverse order of their respective original appointments.

Approved April 9, 1947.

Chap. 243 AN ACT CHANGING AND ESTABLISHING A PART OF THE BOUNDARY LINE BETWEEN THE TOWNS OF READING AND LYNNFIELD.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The following described line shall hereafter be a part of the boundary line between the towns of Reading and Lynnfield:— Beginning at a point which is located in the boundary line between the towns of Reading, Lynnfield and Wakefield at latitude $42^{\circ}-31'-51.92''$ and longitude $71^{\circ}-04'-32.32''$, being a corner town bound known as the Lynnfield-Reading-Wakefield town bound, thence north $7^{\circ}-03'-52''$ east, a distance of 9,128.77 feet, to a point in the boundary lines of Reading, North Reading and Lynnfield at latitude $42^{\circ}-33'-21.41''$ and longitude $71^{\circ}-04'-17.32''$ and known as the Lynnfield-North Reading-Reading town bound.

SECTION 2. The inhabitants of the estates within the territory of the towns of Reading and Lynnfield, which territory is affected by this act, and the owners of such estates, shall be holden to pay all arrears of taxes which have been legally assessed upon them prior to the effective date of this act, and such taxes shall be collected by the collector of taxes of the town by which such taxes were originally assessed.

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

Approved April 10, 1947.

Chap. 244 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE ENTRY UPON VOTING LISTS OF THE CITY OF BOSTON OF CERTAIN OMITTED LISTINGS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 35 of chapter 51 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by section 10 of chapter 451 of the acts of 1939, is hereby further amended by adding at the end the following sentence:— Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of this section or of any other general or

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 51, § 35, etc., amended.

City of Boston included.

special law, this section shall apply to the city of Boston and the election commissioners thereof.

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

Approved April 10, 1947.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO FISHING PRIVILEGES FOR PATIENTS IN VETERANS' HOSPITALS IN MASSACHUSETTS.

Chap. 245

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to grant without delay certain fishing privileges to patients in veterans' hospitals in this commonwealth, 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. Section 5 of chapter 131 of the General Laws, as appearing in section 2 of chapter 599 of the acts of 1941, is hereby amended by adding after the word "provided" in line 1 the words: — in this section and.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 131, § 5, etc., amended.

SECTION 2. Said section 5, as so amended, is hereby further amended by adding at the end the following paragraph: —

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 131, § 5, etc., further amended.

The director is authorized to issue free of charge a special certificate to the head of each veterans' hospital within the commonwealth. Any such certificate shall be valid throughout the calendar year of issue and shall permit groups of patients, designated by the hospital authorities, to fish in inland waters of the commonwealth without possessing sporting or fishing licenses. Such groups shall be limited to not more than fifteen patients each day from any one hospital and every such group shall be under the supervision of the chief of special services of the hospital or a person designated by him. Said certificate shall be carried on the person of the chief of special services or the person designated by him while the group is fishing and shall be shown upon demand of any officer empowered to enforce this chapter.

Patients from veterans' hospitals may fish without license.

Approved April 10, 1947.

AN ACT PROVIDING THAT THE DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS, DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS MAY DRILL AND PARADE WITH FIREARMS.

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Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 49 of chapter 33 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by section 1 of chapter 409 of the acts of 1946, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word "States" the first time it appears in line 32 the words: —, Disabled American Veterans, Department of Massachusetts, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 49.* Except as provided in section fifty, no body of men, except the organized militia, the troops of the United States, and the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts, shall

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 33, § 49, etc., amended.

Unauthorized drilling.