

**Chap.316** AN ACT PROVIDING FOR PAYMENTS, IN LIEU OF VACATIONS, IN THE CASE OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF CERTAIN COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES WHO RESIGNED OR WERE GRANTED LEAVES OF ABSENCE TO ENTER THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES.

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

Any person in the service of any county, city or town by which chapter four hundred and ninety-nine of the acts of nineteen hundred and forty-three has been or shall be accepted as therein provided, who, prior to such acceptance but subsequent to September sixteenth, nineteen hundred and forty, resigned or was granted a leave of absence from such service to enter the armed forces of the United States and who served in said armed forces during World War II and who, upon honorable discharge from such service in said armed forces, has returned or returns to the service of such county, city or town, shall be paid an amount equal to the vacation pay which he would have received in the year of his entry into such service in said armed forces if his said employment had not been interrupted by such service in said armed forces; provided, that no monetary or other allowance has already been made therefor. Such payments shall be made from the county, city or town treasury from any available funds therein. *Approved May 2, 1947.*

**Chap.317** AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE AUTHORITY OF CERTAIN MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANIES TO PAY DIVIDENDS ON CERTAIN POLICIES OF INSURANCE.

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

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 175, § 80, etc., amended.

Certain mutual insurance companies may pay dividends on certain policies.

Chapter 175 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 80, as most recently amended by chapter 196 of the acts of 1947, and inserting in place thereof the following section:— *Section 80.* From time to time the directors of a mutual fire company may by vote fix and determine the percentages of dividend or expiration return of premium to be paid on expiring or cancelled policies, or to be paid upon anniversary dates of policies having no expiration dates, which may, in their discretion, and with the written approval of the commissioner, and upon such conditions, if any, as he may prescribe, be different for policies insuring for the same term against the different kinds of risks mentioned in the several provisions of the clause or clauses of section forty-seven under which such a company may transact business; and the percentage aforesaid for fire policies insuring farm risks, fireproof risks, including risks equipped with automatic sprinkler and fire alarm systems, or manufacturing or storage risks, or manufacturing or storage risks confined to lumber and wood-working only, risks subject to special inspection, special underwriting and special reinsurance treatment, insured