

five years from the passage of this act, such sums as may be necessary, not exceeding in the aggregate one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and may issue bonds or notes of the town therefor which shall bear on their face the words, Norton School Loan, Act of 1948. Each authorized issue shall constitute a separate loan and such loans shall be paid in not more than twenty years from their dates. Indebtedness incurred under this act shall be in excess of the statutory limit and shall, except as provided herein, be subject to chapter forty-four of the General Laws, exclusive of the limitation contained in the first paragraph of section seven thereof.

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

*Approved March 30, 1948.*

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AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEWBURYPORT TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR THE PAYMENT OF, AND TO PAY, CERTAIN UNPAID BILLS. *Chap. 179*

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

SECTION 1. The city of Newburyport is hereby authorized to appropriate money for the payment of, and to pay, such of the unpaid bills incurred during the years nineteen hundred and forty-three to nineteen hundred and forty-six, inclusive, as shown by a list filed with the director of accounts in the department of corporations and taxation, as are legally unenforceable against said city, either by reason of their being incurred in excess of available appropriations or by reason of failure to present them for payment during the year in which they were incurred.

SECTION 2. No bill shall be paid under authority of this act unless and until a certificate has been signed and filed with the auditor of said city, stating under the penalties of perjury that the goods, materials or services for which such bill has been submitted were ordered by an official or employee of said city and that such goods and materials were delivered and actually received by said city or that such services were rendered to said city, or both, nor unless and until such bill has been approved by the board established by section one of chapter forty-nine of the acts of nineteen hundred and thirty-three.

SECTION 3. Any person who knowingly files a certificate required by section two which is false and who thereby receives payment for goods, materials or services which were not received by or rendered to said city shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than one year or by a fine of not more than three hundred dollars, or both.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

*Approved March 30, 1948.*