

SECTION 2. If said Helen C. Keyes is retired under section one of this act, she shall receive from the date the retirement is approved by the teachers' retirement board the retirement allowance which she would have received under paragraphs (9) and (10) of said section ten of said chapter thirty-two, as in effect immediately prior to January first, nineteen hundred and forty-six, if she had been on leave of absence up to the date of such approval, and the annual salary for her position had continued to be thirteen hundred and seventy-five dollars, the salary she was receiving when her service terminated.

*Approved May 27, 1948.*

**Chap. 415** AN ACT PROVIDING FOR AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS OF DISTRICTS FORMED TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN DEPARTMENTS OF VETERANS' SERVICES.

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

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 115, new § 15, added.

Accounts of districts formed to establish veterans' services departments to be audited.

Chapter 115 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding after section 14, added by section 1 of chapter 599 of the acts of 1946, the following section:— *Section 15.* The director of accounts in the department of corporations and taxation shall cause an audit to be made annually of the accounts of all districts organized under the authority of section ten and for such purpose he, and his duly accredited agents, shall have access to all necessary papers, books and records. The expenses incurred for said audits shall be paid primarily by the commonwealth. Said director shall apportion the cost of each audit among the several municipalities comprising the district on the basis of the taxable valuation of said municipalities as last established by the general court for state and county taxes, and submit the amounts of each apportionment to the state treasurer, who shall issue his warrant requiring the assessors of the cities and towns which comprise the district to assess a tax to the amount so apportioned, and such amount shall be collected and paid to the state treasurer as provided by section twenty of chapter fifty-nine.

*Approved May 27, 1948.*

**Chap. 416** AN ACT RELATIVE TO SIGNS AND SIGNALS AT WAYS INTERSECTING THROUGH WAYS, AND RELATIVE TO STOPPING AT SUCH WAYS.

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

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 89, § 9, amended.

Signs and signals at through ways, regulated.

Chapter 89 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 9, as appearing in the Tercentenary Edition, and inserting in place thereof the following section:— *Section 9.* For the purposes of this section, the department of public works may from time to time designate any state or other highway or part thereof as a through way,

and may after notice revoke any such designation; and any city or town may, with the approval of said department and while such approval is in effect, designate any way or part thereof within the control of such city or town as a through way and may, after notice and like approval, revoke any such designation. Said department may, after notice, revoke any approval granted under this section. No such designation of a through way shall become effective as to regulation of traffic at any point of intersection with another way until said department or the board or officer having control of ways in a city or town, as the case may be, shall have caused suitable warning signs or signals to be erected at or near such point. Every driver of a vehicle, railway car or other conveyance approaching an intersection of a way with a lawful through way, where there exists facing him a sign bearing the words "Through Traffic Stop", or a flashing red signal indication, said sign or signal being in accordance with the requirements of the department, shall before proceeding through the intersection bring such vehicle, railway car or other conveyance to a complete stop at such point as may be marked by a sign or line, or, if a point is not so marked, then at a place between the said stop sign and the nearer line of the street intersection. This section shall not apply when the traffic is otherwise directed by an officer or by a lawful traffic regulating sign, signal or device. For the purposes of this section, a way joining a through way at an angle, whether or not it crosses the same, shall be deemed to intersect it, and the word "way", unless the context otherwise requires, shall include a through or other way. *Approved May 27, 1948.*

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AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE REINSTATEMENT OF JOHN E. SULLIVAN IN THE SERVICE OF THE CITY OF PEABODY FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF RETIREMENT. *Chap.417*

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

SECTION 1. John E. Sullivan, who was employed at the J. B. Thomas Hospital of the city of Peabody from the year nineteen hundred and seven to May seventeenth, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, shall be reinstated by said city in the service of said hospital for the sole purpose of being retired as hereinafter provided. Upon such reinstatement, said Sullivan shall pay into the annuity savings fund of the contributory retirement system of the city the amount of the accumulated regular deductions withdrawn by him when he became separated from the service of the city, plus interest to the date of deposit. Upon such deposit, he shall be credited with all service actually rendered as a member of said system as well as all prior service credit to which he had been entitled, and, in addition, with all service rendered to said hospital in the same manner as if such service had been rendered as an employee of the city. After such rein-