

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE SALARIES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE PAROLE BOARD, AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN EXPENDITURES BY SAID BOARD WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CORRECTION. Chap.586

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

Chapter 27 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 5, as most recently amended by section 1 of chapter 399 of the acts of 1937, and inserting in place thereof the following:— *Section 5.* There shall be in the department a parole board, consisting of five members, two of whom shall be women. Upon the expiration of the term of office of a member, his or her successor shall be appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, for five years. The governor shall designate one of the men members as chairman, and said chairman shall receive a salary of nine thousand dollars. The other men members of the board shall each receive a salary of eight thousand dollars, and the women members of the board shall each receive a salary of four thousand dollars. All the members of the board shall constitute the parole board having jurisdiction of parole matters relating to women, and only the men members of the board shall constitute the parole board having jurisdiction over parole matters relating to men. Said board may expend annually from the appropriation for contingent and other expenses of the department a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars for examination by physicians of prisoners whose cases come before said board for action.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 27, § 5, etc., amended.

Parole board.

Salaries.

Jurisdiction.

*Approved June 12, 1948.*

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE TAXATION OF LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES. Chap.587

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of chapter 531 of the acts of 1943 is hereby amended by striking out the last sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:— All the provisions of said chapter sixty-three as effective on December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and forty-three, applicable to the excise imposed by said section twenty as then effective, shall continue to apply to the excise payable under the authority of this section upon the basis of net value, and to any life insurance company liable to said excise, provided, however, that payment of the excise due under this section shall be made at the time fixed for filing the return.

SECTION 2. Section 3 of said chapter 531 is hereby amended by striking out the last sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:— All the provisions of said chapter sixty-three as effective on December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and forty-three, applicable to the excise imposed by said section twenty as then effective, shall except as herein modified continue to apply to the excise

payable under the authority of this section upon the basis of net value, and to any life insurance company liable to said excise, provided, however, that payment of the excise due under this section shall be made at the time fixed for filing the return.

*Approved June 12, 1948.*

*Chap. 588* AN ACT AUTHORIZING INCREASES OF THE AMOUNTS OF PENSIONS PAYABLE TO CERTAIN FORMER PUBLIC EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE BEEN RETIRED AND TO BENEFICIARIES OF CERTAIN RETIRED PUBLIC EMPLOYEES.

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

SECTION 1. The amount of the pension or retirement allowance of any former employee, or of any beneficiary of a deceased employee, of the commonwealth, or of any county, city, town or district thereof, including teachers who at the time of retirement had creditable service amounting to at least ten years, other than those teachers who received an increase under chapter six hundred and eighty-five of the acts of nineteen hundred and forty-five, or any special law of the current year, who was retired prior to January first, nineteen hundred and forty-six under any provision of general or special law shall be increased by two hundred dollars per annum; provided, that such increase shall not be made in the case of a pension or retirement allowance which is in excess of fifteen hundred dollars in amount, exclusive of any amount of additional annuity obtained by special purchase as provided under paragraph (g) of subdivision (1) of section twenty-two of chapter thirty-two of the General Laws or under similar provisions of other laws; and, provided further, that no such increase shall be made which will make said pension or retirement allowance, excluding such additional annuity referred to above, exceed fifteen hundred dollars annually.

SECTION 2. The increase of pension or retirement allowance granted by this act shall date from September first, nineteen hundred and forty-eight in the case of such employees or beneficiaries retired or pensioned under the teachers' retirement system and under the retirement system for state employees. For such employees or beneficiaries retired or pensioned by any county, city, town or district, this act shall take effect when accepted in a county by the county commissioners thereof, in a city having a Plan E charter by the affirmative vote of a majority of all the members of the city council, and, in the case of other cities by vote of the city council subject to the provisions of the charter, in a town by a majority vote at a town meeting, and in a district by its prudential committee. At the annual town meeting in nineteen hundred and forty-nine, this act shall be submitted on the warrant for acceptance to the registered voters of each town.

SECTION 3. Increases in pensions or retirement allowances provided herein shall be in lieu of any increases granted in the case of any person whose pension or retirement allow-