

in which additional jurors are chosen under section twenty-six B shall be entitled to one additional peremptory challenge for each additional juror. In every criminal case the commonwealth shall be entitled to as many such challenges as equal the whole number to which all the defendants in the case are entitled. In a civil case each party shall be entitled to two such challenges. Peremptory challenges shall be made before the commencement of the trial and may be made after the determination that a person called to serve as a juror stands indifferent in the case.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect on October first of the current year. Effective date.
Approved June 14, 1945.

AN ACT TO PERMIT CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF WORCESTER TO WITHDRAW FROM THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF SAID CITY AND THEREUPON BE ENTITLED TO THE RETIREMENT BENEFITS OF CERTAIN GENERAL LAWS. Chap.429

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Any foreman, inspector, mechanic or storekeeper employed by the city of Worcester who is a member of the retirement system of said city, established by chapter four hundred and ten of the acts of nineteen hundred and twenty-three, known as the Worcester retirement act, and who entered said system within one year following the effective date of said act, may withdraw from said system and shall thereupon be paid the amount of his accumulated deductions and shall be entitled or restored, as the case may be, to all rights and privileges under section seventy-seven of chapter thirty-two of the General Laws.

Approved June 14, 1945.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE POWERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIES WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN EMPLOYMENT RECORDS. Chap.430

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section seventeen of chapter one hundred and forty-nine of the General Laws, as appearing in the Tercentenary Edition, is hereby amended by adding at the end the following: —, and shall have access to all records pertaining to wages, hours, and other conditions of employment which are found essential to such investigations, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 17.* For the enforcement of the provisions of this chapter, the commissioner, the assistant commissioner and the associate commissioners, the director of the division of industrial safety and inspectors may enter all buildings and parts thereof used for industrial purposes and examine the methods of protection from accident, the means of escape from fire, the sanitary provisions, the lighting and means of ventilation, and make investigations as to the employment of women and minors and as to compliance with all provi-

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 149, § 17, amended.

Entries into buildings for purpose of inspection.

sions of this chapter, and shall have access to all records pertaining to wages, hours, and other conditions of employment which are found essential to such investigations.

Approved June 15, 1945.

Chap. 431 AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL SEWERAGE WORKS FOR THE SOUTH ESSEX SEWERAGE DISTRICT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PREVENTING THE POLLUTION OF THE NORTH RIVER AND BEVERLY AND SALEM HARBORS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The South Essex sewerage board, hereinafter called the board, is hereby granted full and complete power and authority to construct anywhere within the cities of Salem and Peabody, a grit and grease chamber at or near the Salem-Peabody line, the necessary pumping stations, and such additional sewerage works and treatment plants as may be necessary to abate and prevent the pollution of the North river and its tributaries and to prevent the pollution of the waters of Beverly and Salem harbors; provided, that no work herein authorized shall be done and no expense shall be incurred therefor except under the direction of the state department of public health and upon the granting by said department of its approval after notice to said cities and a hearing. The powers and duties hereby conferred and imposed upon the board shall be in addition to those conferred and imposed upon it by chapter three hundred and thirty-nine of the acts of nineteen hundred and twenty-five and amendments thereof.

SECTION 2. The board shall, under like direction and subject to like approval, design or cause to be designed, and construct or cause to be constructed, the sewerage works herein authorized and make such contracts and enter into such other arrangements as it may deem necessary therefor. Every contract calling for an expenditure of more than five hundred dollars shall be in writing, and no such contract, except for legal, engineering and other professional services, shall be awarded unless invitations for bids therefor shall previously have been published once a week for three successive weeks in two daily papers published in Essex county. Such bids shall be opened publicly at the time and place announced in such newspaper publication.

SECTION 3. The cost of construction and other work authorized by this act shall not exceed the sum of five hundred thousand dollars. To meet the cost of such construction and work, the treasurer of said South Essex sewerage district, with the approval of the board, may borrow money and issue notes and bonds as provided in section fifteen of said chapter three hundred and thirty-nine, and all indebtedness incurred in carrying out the provisions of this act shall be subject to such of the provisions of chapter forty-four of the General Laws in so far as are applicable to loans made by districts.