

by a writing, signed by the employee and filed with said treasurer or other official, for the purchase for such employee of defense bonds issued by the federal government. Such withholding of the compensation of any employee shall cease upon the filing by him with said treasurer or other official of a writing requesting such cessation. That portion of the compensation withheld or to be withheld under this act shall not be attached or taken upon execution or other process.

*Approved January 31, 1942.*

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AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO REQUIRE THE PROVIDING OF EQUIPMENT FOR PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES MADE NECESSARY BY THE EXISTENCE OF THE PRESENT STATE OF WAR.

Chap. 8

*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to protect the public health during the existing state of war, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health.

Emergency  
preamble.

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

If the department of public health determines that, during the existence of the present state of war, it is necessary for a city, town, district or water company maintaining a water supply to provide equipment for such supply, including treatment equipment, or additions to existing equipment, for the protection of the public health, said department may order such city, town, district or company to provide such equipment or to make such additions to any existing equipment. The supreme judicial or the superior court shall have jurisdiction in equity to enforce any such order.

*Approved January 31, 1942.*

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AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT IN THE STATE TREASURY OF A SURPLUS COMMODITY STAMP TRUST FUND AND REGULATING THE ADMINISTRATION THEREOF.

Chap. 9

*Whereas*, This act provides for further co-operation by the commonwealth with the federal government in the matter of the carrying out of the Federal Surplus Commodity Stamp Plan, so called, and should take effect without delay, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Emergency  
preamble.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby created in the state treasury a fund, to be known as the Commonwealth Stamp Plan Fund, which shall be administered and used as hereinafter provided. Said fund shall consist of the proceeds of loans made by the commonwealth for the purposes of said fund, of moneys received from the sale, delivery or redelivery of food order stamps and cotton order stamps, or stamps of a