

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE PERFORMANCE OF CERTAIN DUTIES OF THE COMMISSIONER OF MENTAL DISEASES DURING HIS ABSENCE OR DISABILITY.

Chap. 13

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, 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 four of chapter nineteen of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after the word "prescribe" in the sixth and seventh lines the following: —, except that the commissioner, with like approval, may designate another person or persons in the department to perform, during such absence or disability, such specific duties as the commissioner may prescribe, and may revoke such designation, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 4.* The commissioner shall be the executive and administrative head of the department and may organize therein such divisions as he may determine. He may, with the approval of the governor and council, appoint and fix the compensation of an assistant commissioner, who shall discharge the duties of the commissioner during his absence or disability and perform such other duties as the commissioner may prescribe, except that the commissioner, with like approval, may designate another person or persons in the department to perform, during such absence or disability, such specific duties as the commissioner may prescribe, and may revoke such designation. The commissioner shall appoint and may remove such agents and subordinate officers as the department may deem necessary, and shall fix their compensation. Physicians, pathologists and psychiatrists shall be exempt from chapter thirty-one.

G. L. 19, § 4, amended.

Commissioner of mental diseases, duties.

Assistant commissioner, etc.

Performance of certain duties of commissioner during his absence, etc.

Agents, etc.

Physicians, etc., exempt from G. L. 31.

Approved February 7, 1931.

AN ACT MAKING FURTHER APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF ADDITIONAL PERSONS AS A MEASURE OF RELIEF DURING THE PRESENT UNEMPLOYMENT EMERGENCY.

Chap. 14

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. To provide further for the employment of additional labor and other personal services as a measure of relief during the present emergency caused by unemployment, the sums set forth in section two for the several purposes and subject to the conditions therein specified, are hereby appropriated from the general fund or revenue of the commonwealth unless some other source of revenue is expressed, subject to the provisions of law regulating the disbursement of public funds and the approval thereof.

Further appropriations for the employment of additional persons as a measure of relief during the present unemployment emergency.