

twenty dollars, the same to be in addition to any amount heretofore appropriated for the same purpose.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

*Approved May 9, 1901.*

*Chap. 376* AN ACT TO EXEMPT THE METROPOLITAN MUTUAL AID ASSOCIATION FROM CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO FRATERNAL BENEFICIARY CORPORATIONS.

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

The Metropolitan Mutual Aid Association exempted from provisions of 1599, 442.

SECTION 1. The Metropolitan Mutual Aid Association is hereby exempted from the provisions of chapter four hundred and forty-two of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, relative to fraternal beneficiary corporations.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

*Approved May 9, 1901.*

*Chap. 377* AN ACT RELATIVE TO PENSIONING MEMBERS OF POLICE DEPARTMENTS IN CERTAIN CITIES AND TOWNS.

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

Certain members of police department to be retired, etc.

SECTION 1. In every city and town the board or official having authority to make appointments to the police department shall retire from further service therein any member who shall be certified by the city or town physician and by two other physicians to be permanently incapacitated, either mentally or physically, by injuries sustained in the actual performance of duty in the department; and the member so retired shall receive annually one half the compensation received by him at the time of his retirement.

Cities and towns may appropriate money.

SECTION 2. Cities and towns are hereby authorized to appropriate money to provide for the payment of pensions authorized by this act.

Not to apply to certain cities and towns.

SECTION 3. This act shall not apply to any city or town which before the passage of this act has established a system of pensions for the members of its police department.

Repeal.

SECTION 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

When to take effect.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect in any city upon its acceptance by the city council thereof, and in any town upon its acceptance by a majority of the citizens present and voting thereon at any annual town meeting.

*Approved May 10, 1901.*