

Chapter 577. AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF THE SURTAX.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to immediately repeal the surtax on personal income taxes, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, for taxable years commencing on or after January first, nineteen hundred and eighty-six and before January first, nineteen hundred and eighty-seven, no tax, commonly called the surtax, shall be imposed on taxes levied under the provisions of chapter sixty-two of the General Laws.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect as of December fifth, nineteen hundred and eighty-six.

Approved December 9, 1986.

Chapter 578. AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE BAY STATE SKILLS CORPORATION.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 4 of chapter 40I of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1984 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the definition of "Educational institution" and inserting in place thereof the following definition:–

"Educational institution", a public secondary or post-secondary institution, propriety trade, business, vocational, technical, professional or correspondence school licensed by the department of education under the provision of chapters seventy-five C, seventy-five D, and ninety-three, or an independent nonprofit institution within the commonwealth authorized by law to provide a program of skills training or education beyond the secondary school level.

Approved December 9, 1986.

Chapter 579. AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE APPLICATION OF CERTAIN INSURANCE BENEFITS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 110 of chapter 175 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1984 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 194, the word "in" and inserting in place thereof the words:– within or without the commonwealth and which covers residents of.

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SECTION 2. The first paragraph of section 110D of said chapter 175, as so appearing, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:– The provisions of this paragraph shall apply to any policy issued or renewed within or without the commonwealth and which covers residents of the commonwealth.

SECTION 3. The first paragraph of section 110G of said chapter 175, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "plan", in line 2, the words:– issued or delivered within or without the commonwealth and which covers residents of the commonwealth.

SECTION 4. The second paragraph of said section 110G of said chapter 175, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:– In addition, whenever such group hospital, surgical, medical insurance plan or employer's plan covering health benefits is issued or subsequently renewed within or without the commonwealth by agreement between the insurer and the policyholder and covers residents of the commonwealth, during the period this provision is effective, such plan shall include coverage such that when a member of such group plan becomes ineligible for continued participation in such plan because he is an employee whose employment is terminated due to a plant closing or covered partial closing, as those terms are defined in section seventy-one A of chapter one hundred and fifty-one A, the coverage originally provided by such plan for the member and his dependents shall continue as provided herein, for a period of ninety days from the date of ineligibility or until such member and his dependents become eligible for benefits under another group plan, whichever comes first.

SECTION 5. Subsection (a) of section 110I of said chapter 175, as so appearing, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:– The provision of this section shall apply to any policy issued or renewed within or without the commonwealth and which covers residents of the commonwealth.

Approved December 9, 1986.

Chapter 580. AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE TAKING OF THE OATH OF OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF REVERE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Notwithstanding the provisions of section seventeen of chapter forty-three of the General Laws or any other general or special law or charter to the contrary, the mayor elect, the councillors-elect and the school committee members-elect of the city of Revere, shall meet and be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties on the first Monday in January following a regular municipal election at seven o'clock in the evening.

Approved December 9, 1986.