

policies of life insurance, or in subdivision three of section seventy-five of said chapter five hundred and seventy-six defining the content of the contract made by a life insurance company, or in any other provision of law regulating insurance, shall be construed to prevent the sale or agreement for the sale of bonds or other securities of the United States by life insurance companies transacting business in this commonwealth, or to prevent the inclusion by such companies, in their policies, of agreements for the sale of such bonds on the instalment plan where the proceeds of the policies are to be applied, in whole or in part, to the cancellation of any unpaid instalments on the bonds in the event of the purchaser's death: *provided, however*, that this act shall be void upon the termination of the existing war between the United States and Germany. *Approved March 6, 1918.*

Proviso.

Chap. 52 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE TAXATION OF PROPERTY HELD FOR SEWAGE DISPOSAL PURPOSES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

1909, 490,
Part I, § 8, etc.,
amended.

SECTION 1. Part I of chapter four hundred and ninety of the acts of nineteen hundred and nine, as amended by section one of chapter six hundred and twenty-nine of the acts of nineteen hundred and fourteen, is hereby further amended by striking out section eight and substituting the following:—*Section 8.* Property held by a city, town or district in another city or town for the purpose of a water supply or of sewage disposal, if yielding no rent, shall not be liable to taxation therein, but the city, town or district so holding it shall, annually in September, pay to the city or town in which such property lies, an amount equal to that which such place would receive for taxes upon the average of the assessed values of such land, without buildings or other structures, for the three years last preceding the acquisition thereof, the valuation for each year being reduced by all abatements thereon; but any part of such land or buildings from which any revenue in the nature of rent is received shall be subject to taxation.

Taxation of
property held
for sewage dis-
posal purposes.

1909, 490,
Part I, § 10, etc.,
amended.

SECTION 2. Part I of said chapter four hundred and ninety, as amended by section two of said chapter six hundred and twenty-nine, is hereby further amended by striking out section ten and substituting the following:—*Section 10.* The assessors of a city or town in which land is acquired by another city, town or district for the purpose of a water

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of property
held for water

supply, or of sewage disposal, shall, within one year after such acquisition, determine the said average valuation of such land, and certify the amount so determined to such other city, town or district. The mayor of a city or the selectmen of a town, or the commissioners or prudential committee of a district, within six months after receipt of said certificate, may appeal from such determination to the superior court for the county where the land lies; and the court shall determine the valuation in the manner provided in the two preceding sections, and the provisions of sections seventy-seven and seventy-eight, so far as applicable, shall govern such appeal.

or sewage disposal purposes by another city or town, etc.

Appeal, etc.

If land within any city or town shall have been taken from such city or town for said purposes, and for any one of the three years prior to the taking shall have been used for any public purpose, and for that reason no taxes shall have been collected thereon, the city or town and the board or officer having charge of the land so taken may within six years after the taking agree as to the value of the land upon which the annual payment is to be made as aforesaid from the time of the taking, and if they cannot agree the board or officer shall notify the city or town thereof; and thereupon the value shall be determined by the superior court under the provisions of said sections seventy-seven and seventy-eight, and said notice shall be deemed to be the notice referred to in said section seventy-seven. The provisions of this section and of the two preceding sections shall apply to property acquired for the purposes of the metropolitan water supply.

Land valuation for annual payment, how determined, etc.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved March 7, 1918.

AN ACT TO PERMIT THE TAKING OF ANIMALS FROM TRAPS ON THE LORD'S DAY. Chap. 53

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section one of chapter ninety-two of the Revised Laws, as amended by chapter one hundred and seventy-six of the acts of nineteen hundred and four, is hereby further amended by adding at the end thereof the following: — This section shall not be construed to prohibit the taking from traps on the Lord's day of animals which have been caught therein, but nothing herein shall be held to permit the setting, re-setting or baiting of traps on that day, — so as to read as

R. L. 92, § 1, etc., amended.