

Cape Ann, Inc.

Approved April 2, 1976.

Chap. 46. AN ACT PROVIDING FOR CONTRIBUTIONS FROM MUNICIPAL AND OTHER SOURCES TO THE COST OF REPAIRING AND RENOVATING THE STATE STREET WHARF IN THE TOWN OF MARBLEHEAD.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to provide for the immediate expenditure of contributions from municipal and other sources for the repair and renovation of the State Street wharf in the town of Marblehead, 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:

Item 6032-2017 of section 2 of chapter 1003 of the acts of 1971 is hereby amended by adding the words:-; provided, that contributions from municipal or other sources may be expended for the purposes of this item, said contributions to be in addition to the amount appropriated.

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Chap. 47. AN ACT CLARIFYING THE NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED ON NOMINATION PAPERS FOR CERTAIN PUBLIC OFFICERS.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is immediately to clarify the number of signatures required on nomination papers for certain public offices, 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 44 of chapter 53 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the third sentence, as most recently amended by section 1 of chapter 335 of the acts of 1966, and inserting in place thereof the following two sentences:- Such papers for all other offices to be filled at a state election shall be signed by a number of voters as follows:- for representative in congress, two thousand voters; for councillor, district attorney, clerk of courts, register of probate and insolvency, register of deeds, county commissioner, sheriff and county treasurer, one thousand voters, except that in Barnstable, Berkshire, Franklin, and Hampshire counties such papers for nomination to the office of clerk of courts, register of probate and insolvency, register of deeds, county commissioner, sheriff and county treasurer shall be signed by five hundred voters; for state senator, three hundred voters; for representative in the general court and commissioners to apportion Suffolk county, one

hundred and fifty voters. If ten per cent of the number of voters in the respective district who are enrolled in the party whose nomination the candidate seeks is a lesser number than the number otherwise required by the preceding sentence, then the number of voters required shall be such ten per cent or shall be fifty per cent of the number of voters otherwise required by the preceding sentence, whichever is greater.

Approved April 6, 1976.

Chap. 48. AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE GRANTING OF LICENSES FOR THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES BY CERTAIN CLUBS AND VETERANS' ORGANIZATIONS IN THE TOWN OF PEPPERELL.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section twelve of chapter one hundred and thirty-eight of the General Laws, licenses may be granted in the town of Pepperell for the sale in said town, until the end of calendar year nineteen hundred and seventy-six, of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises of nationally chartered fraternal corporations and veterans' organizations as defined and limited in section twelve of said chapter one hundred and thirty-eight, notwithstanding any provisions of said section twelve to the contrary and of clubs, which are not organized for commercial purposes as defined and limited in section one of chapter one hundred and thirty-eight, notwithstanding any provisions of said section one to the contrary. Said licenses shall be subject, however, to all other provisions of said chapter one hundred and thirty-eight.

SECTION 2. The state secretary shall cause the following question to be placed on the official ballot to be used in the town of Pepperell at the next biennial state election, and at each biennial state election thereafter until the voters of said town have voted in the affirmative three consecutive times or in the negative three consecutive times:

Shall licenses be granted in the town of Pepperell for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages by clubs and war veterans' organizations?

If a majority of the votes cast in said town in answer to said question is in the affirmative, said town shall be taken to have authorized, for the two calendar years next succeeding, the sale in said town of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises of nationally chartered fraternal corporations and veterans' organizations as defined and limited in section twelve of said chapter one hundred and thirty-eight, notwithstanding any provisions of said section twelve to the contrary, and of clubs