

committed to its care and may perform such maintenance and improvement work on other municipal lands as may be permitted by the board, department, commission or committee in charge thereof. Said office shall exercise the duties of tree warden and superintendent of insect pest control, and upon the establishment of said office the offices of tree warden and superintendent of insect pest control shall be abolished. Said office shall be under the control of a director qualified by training and experience in the field of arboriculture and licensed by the pesticide board in the department of public health. The city manager or the town manager in a city or town having such manager, the mayor in any other city and the selectmen in any other town shall appoint said director for a term of three years. The commissioner of natural resources shall be notified in writing forthwith by the city or town clerk of said appointment and the name and address of said director. The director may appoint such assistants as appropriations permit. He shall have control of all sums appropriated for and to be expended by the office and may apply for and receive such federal, state and county assistance as may be available. Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to affect the powers and duties of a conservation commission established under section eight C of chapter forty.

*Approved April 22, 1970.*

**Chap. 234.** AN ACT EXEMPTING THE OFFICIAL RESIDENCE OF THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE OF THE SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT OF THE ASSEMBLIES OF GOD, INC. FROM TAXATION.

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

SECTION 1. Clause Eleven of section 5 of chapter 59 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by section 1 of chapter 212 of the acts of 1967, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word "of", in line 7, the words: — the Southern New England District of the Assemblies of God, Inc.,.

SECTION 2. This act shall apply to taxes levied for the year nineteen hundred and seventy and subsequent years.

*Approved April 22, 1970.*

**Chap. 235.** AN ACT INCREASING THE RATE OF INTEREST TO REDEEM LAND TAKEN OR SOLD FOR TAXES.

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

SECTION 1. The first sentence of the first paragraph of section 62 of chapter 60 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the word "eight", inserted by section 1 of chapter 263 of the acts of 1966, and inserting in place thereof the word: — ten.

SECTION 2. The third sentence of section 63 of said chapter 60, as appearing in section 3 of chapter 392 of the acts of 1936, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 3, the word "eight" and inserting in place thereof the word: — ten.

SECTION 3. The first sentence of the first paragraph of section 68 of said chapter 60 is hereby amended by striking out the word "eight", inserted by section 2 of chapter 263 of the acts of 1966, and inserting in place thereof the word: — ten.