

Chap. 621. AN ACT MAKING A CORRECTIVE CHANGE IN THE LAW RELATIVE TO THE LENGTH OF MOTOR BUSES.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to make a corrective change in the law relative to the length of motor buses forthwith, 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. Chapter 395 of the acts of 1967 is hereby amended by adding the following section:—

Section 2. Section nineteen B of chapter ninety of the General Laws is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect as of the effective date of chapter three hundred and ninety-five of the acts of nineteen hundred and sixty-seven.

Approved September 18, 1967.

Chap. 622. AN ACT DIRECTING THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION TO CONSTRUCT A CERTAIN WATER MAIN FROM THE TOWN OF WESTWOOD TO THE TOWN OF CANTON AND TO BORROW MONEY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION THEREOF.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. For the purpose of furnishing the town of Canton, which is a member of the metropolitan water district, with an adequate supply of water under pressure from its Bellevue Standpipe, in accordance with the provisions of chapter ninety-two of the General Laws, the metropolitan district commission, hereinafter called the commission, is hereby authorized and directed to construct a water main extending from the vicinity of Canton terrace near Route 128 in the town of Westwood, southerly along Canton terrace and Canton street in the town of Westwood and along Dedham street in the town of Canton or in streets or private or public property adjacent thereto to the existing facilities of the town of Canton and to construct such connecting water mains and other appurtenances as may be necessary.

SECTION 2. In carrying out the provisions of section one, said commission may expend, not exceeding in the aggregate, seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Said commission is further authorized to apply for and accept any federal funds, as a grant or reimbursement, available for the purpose of this act, and any such funds received prior to the issuing of bonds authorized to be sold under section two A of this act shall be used without further appropriation in lieu of the issuing of such bonds, and the total of the bonds authorized in said section two A shall be reduced by the amount of federal funds so received. In the event that such federal funds shall be received after the issuance of the total amount of bonds authorized by section two A of this act, such federal funds shall be credited to the metropolitan water district fund.

SECTION 2A. To meet the expenditures necessary in carrying out the provisions of this act, the state treasurer shall, upon request of the governor, issue and sell at public or private sale bonds of the commonwealth, registered or with interest coupons attached, as he may deem best, to an amount to be specified by the governor from time to time,

but not exceeding, in the aggregate, the sum of seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars. All bonds issued by the commonwealth as aforesaid shall be designated on their face Metropolitan District Water Main Loan, Act of 1967, and shall be on the serial payment plan for such maximum terms of years not exceeding ten years from the date of issue as the governor may recommend to the general court pursuant to Section three of Article LXII of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth, the maturities thereof to be so arranged that the amounts payable in the several years other than the final year shall be as nearly equal as in the opinion of the state treasurer it is practicable to make them. Said bonds shall bear interest payable semiannually at such rate as the state treasurer, with the approval of the governor, shall fix. The initial maturities of such bonds shall be payable not later than one year from the date of issue thereof and the entire issue not later than June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and seventy-nine. All interest payments and payments on account of principal on such obligations shall be part of the debt and expense of the metropolitan water district.

SECTION 3. For the purposes of this act, the commission may take by eminent domain, or acquire by purchase or otherwise, any lands, watercourses and rights, subject to the limitations of section thirty-two of chapter ninety-two of the General Laws; provided, however, that towns in the area or areas within which construction may occur shall grant to the commission the right to enter upon any public land and to construct such facilities as may be necessary without recourse to damages therefor. The commission shall heed all reasonable requests of officials of said towns to restore such public property to its present condition in so far as practicable, as provided in said section thirty-two.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved September 18, 1967.

Chap. 623. AN ACT RELATIVE TO HYDRAULIC BRAKING SYSTEMS ON AUTOMOBILES.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to provide forthwith for bringing the laws of the commonwealth into conformity with the federal law relative to standards of safety for dual braking systems on automobiles, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public safety.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 7 of chapter 90 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the third sentence, inserted by section 1 of chapter 627 of the acts of 1965, and inserting in place thereof the following two sentences: — Every automobile equipped with an hydraulic braking system whether or not assisted by other means, which provides braking action on four or more wheels, shall be equipped with a service brake system so arranged as to provide separate systems for at least two wheels and so designed and constructed that rupture or leakage-type failure of any single pressure component of the service brake system, except structural failures of the brake master cylinder body, ef-