

computation in compliance with this section and the applicable provisions of sections four and five of said chapter, or either of them, and shall forthwith notify each officer having charge of any office, department or undertaking which receives such an appropriation of the amount thereof as so set up.

SECTION 2. The aggregate of the maintenance appropriations for the department of mental health for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and thirty-nine available under items 480 to 495a, inclusive, of section two of chapter three hundred and nine of the acts of the current year is hereby reduced by the sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars, and the aggregate of such appropriations for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and forty available under said items is hereby reduced by two hundred thousand dollars, notwithstanding the specific amounts for maintenance set forth in any of the items hereinbefore enumerated. The commissioner of mental health, with the approval of the chairman of the commission on administration and finance, shall apportion such reductions among the several maintenance appropriations contained in said items in such manner as not to affect adversely the efficiency of the service of the respective institutions referred to in the several items, and shall file a copy of said specific reductions with the comptroller. In setting up such items on the appropriation ledger in his bureau, the comptroller shall take as the amount of each such item the amount thereof set forth in section two of said chapter three hundred and nine, reduced in compliance with this section. In this act, the fiscal years nineteen hundred and thirty-nine and nineteen hundred and forty shall mean the fiscal years ending on November thirtieth, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, and November thirtieth, nineteen hundred and forty.

Approved July 25, 1939.

Chap. 388 AN ACT INCORPORATING THE MASSACHUSETTS STATE COLLEGE BUILDING ASSOCIATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING ADDITIONAL DORMITORY AND OTHER FACILITIES FOR SAID COLLEGE.

Emergency
preamble.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which in part is to provide urgently needed dormitory facilities for students at the Massachusetts State College during the next ensuing academic year, 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. Ralph F. Taber of Newton, Harry D. Brown of Billerica, Alden C. Brett of Belmont, William V. Hayden of Newton, David H. Buttrick of Arlington, Richard J. Davis of Reading, Louis W. Ross of Newton, Eleanor W.

Bateman of Lancaster, and their successors, are hereby made a corporation, by the name of Massachusetts State College Building Association, for the purpose of constructing, equipping and maintaining buildings for dormitories, commons and other uses connected with the Massachusetts State College.

No funds of said corporation shall be distributed among its own members other than those employed by it, but all such funds shall be devoted solely to the carrying out of the purposes for which said corporation is created.

SECTION 2. Said corporation shall have authority to hold for the purpose aforesaid real and personal estate to an amount not exceeding four hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

SECTION 3. The incorporators named in section one and their successors shall constitute the members of said corporation and its board of directors. Whenever a vacancy shall occur in said membership and board the remaining members and directors shall fill such vacancy, but no person shall be eligible to membership in said corporation or to said board of directors who is not at the time of his election an officer, member of the faculty or alumnus of the Massachusetts State College.

SECTION 4. Said directors shall appoint a president, a treasurer, a clerk and such other officers as they may deem necessary, and may prescribe their duties, and may require the treasurer to give bond with satisfactory sureties in such sum as in their discretion they may deem wise and expedient.

SECTION 5. Said corporation may make by-laws consistent with law.

SECTION 6. The trustees of the Massachusetts State College may, in the name of and for the commonwealth, lease to said corporation land in Amherst or Hadley owned by the commonwealth, for the erection and maintenance of dormitories, commons and other buildings for the use of said college or its students. Not more than one acre shall be so leased at any one time. The pertinent provisions of section twenty-seven of chapter seventy-five of the General Laws shall apply to such leases. Such leases may provide that any buildings erected on such land shall remain the property of said corporation except as hereinafter provided. Said trustees may, in the name of and for the commonwealth, take leases of any real estate or buildings owned by said corporation, for any use in any way connected with said college. Any building so leased shall become the property of the commonwealth upon the payment in full of all obligations incurred hereunder by said corporation with respect to such buildings. Section twenty-eight of said chapter shall not apply to land leased under this act to said corporation, and no property or income of said corporation shall be subject to local or state taxation.

SECTION 7. Said corporation may borrow money and issue bonds therefor, and may pledge as security for their

payment the rentals receivable under any lease made by said corporation to said trustees, as hereinbefore provided. Such bonds, if secured by a pledge of such rentals sufficient in amount to meet the principal and interest of such bonds, shall be legal investments for savings banks in this commonwealth and for domestic life insurance companies, and the income therefrom shall be exempt from taxation in this commonwealth.

Approved July 26, 1939.

Chap. 389 AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF WATERTOWN TO REINSTATE ANNA R. FORD IN ITS SERVICE FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF BEING RETIRED.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. For the purpose of promoting the public good and in consideration of the faithful and meritorious service of Anna R. Ford to the town of Watertown during a period of twenty-six years prior to her separation from said service in May, nineteen hundred and thirty-five, because of illness, said town, acting by its board of selectmen, may reinstate her, without examination, in the service of said town for the sole purpose of being retired. Upon reinstatement as aforesaid, the retirement board of said town shall forthwith retire her; and upon such retirement she shall receive the retirement allowance to which she would have been entitled if she had continued in said service until the date of her retirement under this act, and had become a member of the retirement system of said town on July first, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven; provided, that, prior to said retirement, she shall have paid into the annuity savings fund of said system, in one sum, an amount equal to that which she would have paid had she become a member of said system on said July first, with interest at three per cent.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved July 26, 1939.

Chap. 390 AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BRISTOL COUNTY TO PAY CERTAIN COMPENSATION TO OLIVE A. NERNEY OF ATTLEBORO.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. If and when an appropriation is provided therefor, the county commissioners of Bristol county may pay to Olive A. Nerney of Attleboro a sum not exceeding one hundred and twenty-five dollars and sixty-eight cents, for the purpose of compensating said Nerney for services performed as assistant probation officer of the fourth district court of Bristol from February first to June twenty-second, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight.

SECTION 2. This act shall take full effect upon its acceptance during the current year by the county commissioners of said county, but not otherwise.

Approved July 26, 1939.