

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE MAKING, DRAWING, UTTERING AND DELIVERY OF FRAUDULENT CHECKS, DRAFTS AND ORDERS. Chap.133

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 37 of chapter 266 of the General Laws, as amended by chapter 99 of the acts of 1937, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 8, the word "is" and inserting in place thereof the words: — or services are, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 37.* Whoever, with intent to defraud, makes, draws, utters or delivers any check, draft or order for the payment of money upon any bank or other depository, with knowledge that the maker or drawer has not sufficient funds or credit at such bank or other depository for the payment of such instrument, although no express representation is made in reference thereto, shall be guilty of attempted larceny, and if money or property or services are obtained thereby shall be guilty of larceny. As against the maker or drawer thereof, the making, drawing, uttering or delivery of such a check, draft or order, payment of which is refused by the drawee, shall be prima facie evidence of intent to defraud and of knowledge of insufficient funds in, or credit with, such bank or other depository, unless the maker or drawer shall have paid the holder thereof the amount due thereon, together with all costs and protest fees, within two days after receiving notice that such check, draft or order has not been paid by the drawee. The word "credit", as used herein, shall be construed to mean an arrangement or understanding with the bank or depository for the payment of such check, draft or order.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 266, § 37, etc., amended.

Drawing and uttering fraudulent checks, drafts and orders.

Approved March 2, 1955.

AN ACT INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF PROPERTY THAT MAY BE HELD BY NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY. Chap.134

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Northeastern University, a corporation organized under the general law, is hereby authorized to hold real and personal estate to an amount not exceeding thirty million dollars, to be used for the purposes of said corporation as set forth in its charter or certificate of incorporation or in any amendment thereof.

Approved March 2, 1955.

AN ACT TO EXTEND TO CERTAIN PRIVATE WAYS AND PARKING AREAS STATUTORY REGULATIONS AS TO THE SPEED AND USE OF MOTOR VEHICLES. Chap.135

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 18 of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by section 2 of chapter 564 of the acts of 1948, is hereby further amended by adding at the end the following paragraph: —

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 90, § 18, etc., amended.

Any person, corporation, firm or trust owning a private way or parking area, or any person, corporation, firm or

Special regulations as to speed, etc.,

of motor vehicles upon certain private ways and parking areas, authorized.

trust controlling such private way or parking area, with the written consent of such owner, may apply in writing to the city council, the traffic commission of the city of Boston, or the board of selectmen in any town in which the private way or parking area lies, to make special regulations as to the speed of motor vehicles and as to the use of such vehicles upon the particular private way or parking area, and the city council with the approval of the mayor, the traffic commission of the city of Boston or the board of selectmen, as the case may be, may make such special regulations with respect to said private way or parking area to the same extent and in the same manner as to ways within their control as set forth in the preceding paragraph. Such special regulations shall be effective for a period of time not to exceed one year from the date of their making, but may, upon like application, be extended for additional periods of time not to exceed one year for each extension.

Approved March 2, 1955.

Chap.136 AN ACT MAKING A CORRECTIVE CHANGE RELATIVE TO THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL ON THE EMPLOYMENT OF THE AGING.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 23, § 11M, etc., amended.

Membership of council on the employment of the aging, increased.

Section 11M of chapter 23 of the General Laws, inserted by section 2 of chapter 578 of the acts of 1954, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 3, the word "nine" and inserting in place thereof the word:— ten, — so that the first sentence will read as follows:— The commissioner shall establish in the department a council on the employment of the aging consisting of ten members, seven of whom shall be appointed by the commissioner with the approval of the governor and council as follows:— two to represent employees, two to represent employers, two to represent qualified organizations engaged in social work, and one to represent the public, who shall be the chairman.

Approved March 2, 1955.

Chap.137 AN ACT MAKING A CORRECTIVE CHANGE IN THE LAW ESTABLISHING A LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COUNCIL AND A LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH BUREAU.

Emergency preamble.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose which is to provide for the immediate making of a corrective change in the law establishing a legislative research council and a legislative research bureau, 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:

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 3, § 58, etc., amended.

Section 58 of chapter 3 of the General Laws, inserted by section 2 of chapter 607 of the acts of 1954, is hereby amended