

Chap. 677. AN ACT PROVIDING THAT CERTAIN DECREES FOR THE SALE OF REAL OR PERSONAL PROPERTY AUTHORIZE OTHER ACTION REQUIRING PROBATE COURT LICENSES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Chapter 202 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section: —

Section 37. The decree of a probate court upon a petition for leave to sell real or personal property shall be sufficient to authorize any action requiring a license by said court by any general or special law. A decree, authority or order of said court may refer to the petition for the description of real or personal property, or the terms of a sale of real or personal property.

Approved August 22, 1973.

Chap. 678. AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR THE PAYMENT OF, AND TO PAY CERTAIN UNPAID BILLS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The city of Springfield is hereby authorized to appropriate money for the payment of, and after such appropriation the treasurer of said city is hereby authorized to pay, such unpaid bills incurred by said city and totalling six thousand six hundred and seventeen dollars and fifty-eight cents, as are set forth in a list on file in the office of the director of accounts in the department of corporations and taxation, and as are certified for payment by the department of public welfare by which said bills were incurred; provided, that the money so appropriated to pay such bills shall be raised by taxation or made available from appropriated surplus funds of the city.

SECTION 2. No bill shall be approved by the city auditor of said city for payment or paid by the treasurer thereof under authority of this act unless and until a certificate has been signed and filed with said city auditor, stating under the penalties of perjury that the goods, materials or services for which said bill was submitted were ordered by an official or an employee of said city, and that such goods and materials were delivered to and actually received by said city or that such services were rendered to said city, or both.

SECTION 3. Any person who knowingly files a certificate required by section two, which is false and who thereby receives payment for goods, materials or services which were not received by or rendered to said city, shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than one year or by a fine of not more than three hundred dollars.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance during the current year by the city of Springfield.

Approved August 22, 1973.