

AN ACT relating to Imprisonment on Execution.

Chap. 258

*Be it enacted, &c., as follows :*

SECTION 1. In all cases of imprisonment on execution, the debtor may be discharged in the manner provided in the act passed May thirteenth, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, entitled "An Act to amend and consolidate the several Acts concerning Imprisonment for Debt and the Punishment of Fraudulent Debtors," for the relief and discharge of persons arrested on execution, under the provisions of said act.

Debtor may be discharged.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on and after the twelfth day of June, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty-seven. [Approved May 30, 1857.]

When to take effect.

AN ACT in addition to an Act concerning Insurance Companies.

Chap. 259

*Be it enacted, &c., as follows :*

SECTION 1. Any agent making insurance in violation of any law of this Commonwealth regulating insurance companies, shall forfeit for each offence a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars. And the governor and council may allow such reasonable compensation for services rendered, and expenses incurred, in enforcing the laws relating to insurance companies, as they shall deem proper.

Penalty for violating insurance laws.

SECTION 2. The fifty-fourth section of the two hundred and fifty-second chapter of the acts passed in the year eighteen hundred and fifty-six, is hereby repealed. [Approved May 30, 1857.]

Partial repeal.

AN ACT to provide for the approval of Bills of purchases for the State Prison.

Chap. 260

*Be it enacted, &c., as follows :*

All bills contracted by the warden, for purchases on account of the prison, shall be approved by one or more of the inspectors, before payment. [Approved May 30, 1857.]

Inspectors shall approve bills.

AN ACT relating to applications to the General Court.

Chap. 261

*Be it enacted, &c., as follows :*

SECTION 1. Any person or persons intending to present to the general court any petition which affects the rights and interests of individuals, or of private corporations, shall give notice thereof, by publishing a true copy of the petition four weeks successively, in some newspaper printed in the counties where such individuals reside, or in which such corporations are established; and also in some newspaper or newspapers published in the city of Boston, to be designated

Petitions affecting private rights shall be published.