

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE BOARD OF OVERSEERS OF HARVARD COLLEGE. *Chap.243*

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows :*

SECTION 1. The President and Fellows of Harvard College and the board of overseers of said college, acting separately at meetings called for that purpose, may, after the expiration of three years from the date of the acceptance of this act, as provided for in section two, determine from time to time by concurrent vote whether any, and, if any, what degrees issued by said college other than those mentioned in the first section of chapter one hundred and seventy-three of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-five, shall entitle the recipients thereof to vote for overseers to the same extent and under the same restrictions to and under which recipients of the degree of bachelor of arts from said college may now so vote.

Board of overseers of Harvard College, election, etc.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect when the board of overseers and the President and Fellows of Harvard College, respectively, at meetings held for that purpose, shall by vote assent to the same.

When to take effect.

*Approved March 27, 1902.*

AN ACT TO PLACE THE PUBLIC CEMETERIES OF THE CITY OF FALL RIVER UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE PARK COMMISSIONERS OF THAT CITY. *Chap.244*

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows :*

SECTION 1. The park commissioners of the city of Fall River shall have the custody, care and control of the public cemeteries in that city, subject to all general laws relating to cemeteries, with all the powers which said city has in the selection of officers and employes.

Care, etc., of public cemeteries in Fall River.

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

*Approved April 1, 1902.*

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE GREAT BARRINGTON FIRE DISTRICT TO INCREASE ITS WATER SUPPLY AND TO ISSUE BONDS FOR THAT PURPOSE. *Chap.245*

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows :*

SECTION 1. The Great Barrington Fire District is hereby authorized, for the use of the inhabitants of said

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take certain waters, etc.

district, to take the whole or any part of the waters of Green river in the town of Great Barrington, of Harmon brook in the town of Monterey, of Mount Washington brook in the towns of Egremont and Mount Washington, of Seekonk brook in the town of Alford, of Kilbourne brook, Leavitt brook and Roaring brook in the town of Great Barrington, and of any other springs or streams in the town of Great Barrington or in either of the above named towns: *provided*, that no source of water supply shall be taken for domestic purposes under this act without the advice and approval of the state board of health.

Proviso.

May enter upon lands, lay pipes, etc.

SECTION 2. For the above purpose the said fire district and its authorized agents are hereby authorized to enter upon any lands, and to construct, lay and maintain such pipes and other works under and over any lands and ways, and along any ways in the towns aforesaid as may be necessary: *provided*, that no way and no private property shall be used or obstructed in an unnecessary manner or for an unnecessary length of time.

Proviso.

Damages.

SECTION 3. The said fire district shall be liable for all damages to property sustained by any person by the taking of any land or by the doing of any other act herein authorized; and any person who fails to agree with said fire district as to the amount of damages sustained by him may have the same assessed and determined in the manner established by law in cases where land is taken for the laying out of highways: *provided*, that application is made within two years after the taking.

Proviso.

Great Barrington Fire District Water Loan, Fourth Issue.

SECTION 4. The said Great Barrington Fire District is hereby authorized, for the above mentioned purposes, to issue from time to time bonds or other obligations, not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of two hundred thousand dollars. Such bonds or other obligations shall be in addition to the amount of the bonds already issued by said fire district; shall be denominated on their face, Great Barrington Fire District Water Loan, Fourth Issue; shall be payable at periods not exceeding thirty years from the date of issue; shall bear interest, payable semi-annually, at a rate not exceeding four per cent per annum; and shall be signed by the treasurer and countersigned by the chairman of the water commissioners of said fire district. The said fire district may sell such securities at public or private sale, or pledge the same for money borrowed for the purposes of this act, upon such terms and

conditions as it may deem proper. The said fire district shall provide at the time of contracting said loan for the establishment of a sinking fund, and shall annually contribute to such fund a sum sufficient with the accumulations thereof to pay the principal of said loan at maturity. The said sinking fund shall remain inviolate and pledged to the payment of said loan and shall be used for no other purpose.

Sinking fund.

SECTION 5. The said fire district, instead of establishing a sinking fund, may at the time of authorizing said loan provide for the payment of the same by such annual payments as will, in the aggregate, extinguish the same at maturity. The town of Great Barrington is hereby authorized to assess and collect upon the polls and estates, real and personal, in said fire district, all taxes necessary to pay the principal and interest of any obligations sold or pledged by the said district as aforesaid.

May provide for annual payments on loan, etc.

SECTION 6. The authority to take an additional water supply, to incur indebtedness, and to issue bonds or other obligations therefor, under the provisions of this act, is granted on condition that the same is assented to by a two thirds vote of the voters of the said fire district present and voting thereon at a meeting called for that purpose.

To be assented to by a two thirds vote.

SECTION 7. Except as otherwise provided in section six this act shall take effect upon its passage.

When to take effect.

*Approved April 1, 1902.*

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR OF STATE HIGHWAYS BY THE MASSACHUSETTS HIGHWAY COMMISSION.

Chap. 246

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

SECTION 1. The Massachusetts highway commission is hereby authorized to expend a sum not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars for the construction and repair of state highways. Of this sum one hundred thousand dollars shall be reserved for expenses incurred after the first day of January in the year nineteen hundred and three.

Construction and repair of state highways.

SECTION 2. For the purpose of meeting the expenditure hereby authorized the treasurer and receiver general is hereby empowered, with the approval of the governor and council, to issue scrip or certificates of indebtedness to an amount not exceeding five hundred thousand dol-

State Highway Loan.