

expenditure code manual under the subsidiary title '03 Services — Non-employees' unless the rate of compensation for such services shall have been approved by the commission on administration and finance, in accordance with the applicable provisions of sections thirty A to thirty J, inclusive, of chapter seven of the General Laws. The said commission shall, immediately upon the approval of any such rate or rates, file copies of the schedule or schedules of approved rates with the House and Senate committees on Ways and Means.

SECTION 4. To meet the expenditure necessary in carrying out the provisions of section two of this act, the state treasurer shall, upon request of the governor and council, issue and sell at public or private sale bonds of the commonwealth, registered or with interest coupons attached, as he may deem best, to an amount to be specified by the governor and council from time to time, but not exceeding in the aggregate, the sum of five million dollars. All bonds issued by the commonwealth as aforesaid, shall be designated on their face, Metropolitan District Park Loan, Act of 1961, and shall be on the serial payment plan for such maximum term of years, not exceeding twenty years, as the governor may recommend to the general court pursuant to section 3 of Article LXII of the Amendments to the Constitution of the commonwealth, the maturities thereof to be so arranged that the amounts payable in the several years of the period of amortization other than the final year, shall be as nearly equal as in the opinion of the state treasurer it is practicable to make them. Said bonds shall bear interest semi-annually at such rate as the state treasurer, with the approval of the governor, shall fix. The initial maturities of such bonds shall be payable not later than one year from the date of issue thereof and the entire issue not later than June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eighty-three.

All interest payments and payments on account of principal on such obligations shall be paid from the metropolitan district commission park funds, to be assessed by methods fixed by law.

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Chap. 518. AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE OPERATION OF BICYCLES ON THE HIGHWAYS OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is in part to repeal upon its effective date a certain act enacted during the current year relative to the operation of motor vehicles, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public safety and convenience.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 14 of chapter 90 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the second sentence, inserted by chapter 318 of the acts of 1961, and inserting in place thereof the following sentence: — In approaching or passing a person on a bicycle the person operating the motor vehicle shall slow down and in passing such person shall do so at a reasonable and proper speed.

SECTION 2. The first paragraph of section 11A of chapter 85 of the General Laws, as appearing in section 1 of chapter 710 of the acts of 1941, is hereby amended by striking out the next to the last sentence.

SECTION 3. Said section 11A of said chapter 85 is hereby further amended by striking out the second paragraph, as so appearing, and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph: —

Violation of any provision of this section shall be punished by a fine of one dollar, and in addition the police department of such city or town, or the selectmen of a town having no organized police department, may suspend the registration certificate of any registered bicycle operated in violation of any provision of section eleven B. No violation of any provision of this section relative to the registration of bicycles shall affect any civil right or liability, nor shall any such violation by a minor under the age of eighteen be considered a criminal offense.

SECTION 4. Said chapter 85 is hereby further amended by inserting after said section 11A the following section: — *Section 11B.* Operators of bicycles shall conform to traffic rules and regulations so far as they are obviously and reasonably applicable for their own safety, shall not ride other than upon or astride a permanent and regular seat attached thereto, and in groups of two or more shall always ride in single file except on paths or sections of the highway set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles. No operator of a bicycle upon any way as defined in section one of chapter ninety shall permit any person in excess of the number for which such bicycle is designed and equipped to ride thereon with him, and no operator of a bicycle shall permit it to be drawn by any other moving vehicle. Every bicycle shall be equipped with a red reflector visible from the rear and at least two inches in diameter. Violation of any provision of this section shall be punished by a fine of one dollar. Any such violation by a minor under the age of eighteen shall not be considered a criminal offense. If a minor under the age of eighteen operates a bicycle in violation of any such provision the police department, or, in a town which has no organized police department, the selectmen, may, with the consent of the parent or guardian of such minor, impound such bicycle for a period not exceeding fifteen days. This section shall apply only to a bicycle at least one wheel of which exceeds twenty inches in diameter. A violation of any provision of this section by a minor under the age of eighteen shall not affect any civil right or liability.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect on July second, nineteen hundred and sixty-one.

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Chap. 519. AN ACT FURTHER PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN DRAINAGE AND FLOOD CONTROL FACILITIES IN STONEHAM, WAKEFIELD, MELROSE, MALDEN, EVERETT, REVERE AND SAUGUS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. For the purpose of carrying out the drainage and flood control works authorized by chapter five hundred and seventy-four of the acts of nineteen hundred and fifty-five, as amended by chapter three hundred and thirty-two of the acts of nineteen hundred and fifty-six, and chapter six hundred and fifty-three of the acts of nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, and for the purpose of constructing a flood control detention basin at a suitable location on the tidal marsh in the town of