

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, BOSTON, JULY 20, 1960.

I, Joseph D. Ward, Secretary of the Commonwealth, hereby certify that the accompanying statement was filed in this office by his Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts at two o'clock and ten minutes, P.M., on the above date, and in accordance with Article Forty-eight of the Amendments to the Constitution said chapter takes effect forthwith, being chapter five hundred and forty-two of the acts of nineteen hundred and sixty.

JOSEPH D. WARD,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Chap. 543. AN ACT CREATING THE SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS TECHNOLOGICAL INSTITUTE AND PROVIDING FOR THE CONSOLIDATION THEREIN OF THE NEW BEDFORD INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AND THE BRADFORD DURFEE TECHNICAL INSTITUTE.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to provide without delay an engineering and technological institute to assist in the diversification of industries in southeastern Massachusetts and in the strengthening of the present industries in that area, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public welfare and convenience.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 15 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 19, as most recently amended by section 3 of chapter 347 of the acts of 1957, and inserting in place thereof the following section:—*Section 19.* The trustees of the University of Massachusetts, the board of commissioners of the Massachusetts Maritime Academy, the trustees of the Bradford Durfee College of Technology, the trustees of the Lowell Technological Institute of Massachusetts, the trustees of the New Bedford Institute of Technology and the trustees of the Southeastern Massachusetts Technological Institute shall serve in the department.

SECTION 2. Said chapter 15 is hereby further amended by inserting after section 21, under the caption SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS TECHNOLOGICAL INSTITUTE, the following section:—*Section 21A.* There shall be a board of trustees for the Southeastern Massachusetts Technological Institute consisting of fifteen members to be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the council and the commissioner of education as an *ex officio* member. Of the trustees first appointed, three shall be selected from the board of trustees of the New Bedford Institute of Technology and three from the board of trustees of the Bradford Durfee College of Technology. Of the fifteen trustees originally appointed, six shall be appointed for a term of three years, five for a term of two years and four for a term of one year. The successor of each such trustee shall be appointed for a term of three years and until his successor shall be duly appointed and qualified, except that any person appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve only for the unexpired term.

SECTION 3. The General Laws are hereby amended by inserting after chapter 75A the following chapter:—

CHAPTER 75B.

SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS TECHNOLOGICAL INSTITUTE.

Section 1. The Southeastern Massachusetts Technological Institute hereafter referred to as the institute, shall be maintained by the commonwealth for the purpose of giving instruction in the theory and practical arts of engineering and science, the liberal arts, and other appropriate curricula which shall be established from time to time to include such scientific, technological, and other studies as may be deemed desirable by the board of trustees of said institute.

Section 2. The institute may have a common seal which may be altered by the board of trustees.

Section 3. All accounts for construction and maintenance and for expenditures under special appropriations shall be approved by the trustees, or, if the trustees shall so vote, by the president or by some other designated alternate, or a member of the board of trustees, and shall be filed with the comptroller. Copies of the payrolls and bills shall be kept at the institute.

Section 4. All receipts from student activities shall be retained by the trustees in a revolving fund or funds and shall be expended as the trustees shall direct in furthering the activities from which the receipts were derived; provided, that the foregoing shall not authorize any action in contravention of the requirements of section 1 of Article LXIII of the Amendments to the Constitution. The said fund or funds shall be subject to annual audit by the state auditor.

Section 5. A complete accounting of receipts and expenditures shall be made to the governor annually. Monthly statements of receipts and expenditures shall be made to the comptroller by the president or his designated alternate, who shall keep complete records and files of payrolls and bills in his office. The term "receipts" as herein used shall include all federal grants received by the trustees.

Section 6. The trustees shall determine the time and place of their meetings and the manner of giving notice thereof.

Section 7. The trustees shall make all rules, regulations, and by-laws consistent with law, with reasonable penalties, for the government of the institute.

Section 8. The trustees shall administer property held in accordance with special trusts, and shall also administer grants or devises of land and gifts or bequests of personal or real property made to the commonwealth for the use of the institute, and shall execute certain trusts, investing the proceeds thereof in notes or bonds or property secured by sufficient mortgages or other securities.

Section 9. The trustees shall, on behalf of the commonwealth, manage and administer the property, real and personal, belonging to the commonwealth and occupied or used by the institute, and shall keep in repair, houses, buildings, and equipment so used or occupied.

Section 10. The trustees shall annually make a report for the institute, which, with appendices, may be printed in six parts, as follows:—

1. The report of the trustees.
2. The report of the president and other officers of administration.
3. The catalog of the institute.