CHAPTER 123

An Act to amend "An act concerning discrimination against eligibles certified for appointment in the competitive class in civil service, and supplementing chapter ten of Title 11 of the Revised Statutes," approved August eighth, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine (P. L. 1939, c. 322).

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. Section one of the act of which this act is amendatory is amended to read as follows:

1. Whenever, in making an appointment to any position in the competitive class, pursuant to chapter ten of Title 11 of the Revised Statutes, from among those graded highest in an open competitive examination, an appointing officer shall appoint or give employment to any person graded lower in such examination than any other person or persons whom such appointing officer might lawfully have appointed to or given employment in such position, and who was willing to accept such position or employment, such appointing officer shall within five days after making such appointment or giving such employment enter upon the records of his office the statement in writing of his reasons for appointing or giving employment to the person so appointed or given employment, and his reasons for failing to appoint or to give employment to the person or persons so graded higher in such examination, and shall, within the same period, transmit a copy of such statement to the commission, certifying under oath that the said statement is a true and complete statement of his reasons for the acts referred to therein, and that such acts were not done by reason of race, color, political faith or creed of any person so appointed or given employ-
ment, or any person not appointed or given employment. Until such certified statement is filed as herein provided, the civil service commission shall not include in the payroll the name of the person so appointed or given employment.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved May 7, 1947.

CHAPTER 124

An Act concerning public health, and amending section 24:18-7 of the Revised Statutes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. Section 24:18-7 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

24:18-7. Except as otherwise in this chapter specifically provided, this chapter shall not apply to the following cases:

a. Prescribing, administering, compounding, dispensing or selling at retail of any medicinal preparation that contains in one fluid ounce, or if a solid or semisolid preparation, in one avoirdupois ounce, (1) not more than two grains of opium, (2) not more than one-quarter grain of morphine or of any of its salts, (3) not more than one grain of codeine, or of any of its salts, (4) not more than one-eighth of a grain of heroin or of any of its salts, (5) not more than one-half of a grain of extract of marihuana nor more than one-half of a grain of any more potent derivative or preparation of marihuana.

b. Prescribing, administering, compounding, dispensing or selling at retail of liniments, ointments, and other preparations that are susceptible of external use only and that contain narcotic drugs in such combinations as prevent their being readily extracted from such liniments, ointments, or prep-