

rate on July first, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, was limited to an increase in rate of one thousand dollars shall receive an increase in salary rate of not more than one step in his salary grade, effective on his anniversary date or on July first, nineteen hundred and fifty-nine, in accordance with approved list filed with the county personnel board by the joint committee on counties. *Approved May 18, 1959.*

Chap. 311. AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF NORFOLK COUNTY, ITS DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND INSTITUTIONS, OF SUNDRY OTHER SERVICES, FOR CERTAIN PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS, FOR INTEREST AND DEBT REQUIREMENTS, AND TO MEET CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF LAW AND GRANTING A COUNTY TAX FOR SAID COUNTY.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would result in unnecessarily extending the period during which county expenditures would be made in anticipation of appropriation, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. To provide for the maintenance of Norfolk county, its departments, boards, commissions and institutions, of sundry other services, for certain permanent improvements, for interest and debt requirements, and to meet certain requirements of law, the following sums for the several purposes and subject to the conditions specified in section two are hereby appropriated, subject to the provisions of law regulating the disbursement of county funds and the approval thereof for the year nineteen hundred and fifty-nine:—

NORFOLK COUNTY.

Item		
1.	For interest on county debt	\$10,762 50
2.	For reduction of county debt	50,000 00
3.	For county commissioners, salaries and expenses	23,287 00
4.	For transportation and expenses of county and acting commissioners	645 00
5.	For clerk of courts, salaries and expenses	65,120 42
6.	For county treasurer, salaries and expenses	33,330 00
7.	For sheriff, salary and expenses	9,050 00
8.	For registry of deeds, salaries and expenses	323,975 49
8a.	For registry of probate, salaries and expenses ..	24,575 00
9.	For law library, salaries and expenses	6,971 90
10.	For highways, including state highways, bridges and land damages	447,801 23
12.	For criminal costs in superior court	133,483 31
13.	For civil expenses in supreme judicial, superior, probate and land courts, including auditors, masters and referees	186,600 00
14.	For district courts, salaries and expenses	519,721 07
15.	For medical examiners and commitments of insane	34,500 00

Item		
16.	For jail and house of correction, maintenance and operation	\$226,230 34
17.	For training school	55,000 00
18.	For court houses and registry buildings, maintenance and operation	203,614 67
19.	For construction of county buildings and/or purchase of land	25,000 00
20.	For agricultural school or county aid to agriculture, maintenance and operation	420,977 83
24.	For non-contributory pensions	20,000 00
25.	For contributory retirement system and supervisory expenses	59,212 27
26.	For miscellaneous and contingent expenses	11,292 39
27.	For unpaid bills of previous years	7,800 00
28.	For reserve fund	20,000 00
30.	For forest fire patrol	3,500 00
39.	For group insurance	25,000 00
		\$2,947,450 42
	Total Amount of Appropriations	
	Less Estimated amount available for Reduction of County Tax	925,098 98
		\$2,022,351 44

And the county commissioners of Norfolk County are hereby authorized to levy as the county tax of said county for the current year, in the manner provided by law, the sum of \$2,022,351 44

SECTION 2. Sums appropriated in section one are based upon detailed schedules approved by the joint committee on counties, copies of which are deposited with the director of accounts.

Said director shall file with the county commissioners and the county treasurer of Norfolk county a certification of the amounts above appropriated as set forth in the approved schedules for said county. Except as provided by this act or except as otherwise provided by law, no liability may be incurred and no expenditure shall be made in excess of the amount available in an existing appropriation for a function, a main group, a class or a sub-class.

Transfers within an appropriation from a main group to another main group may be made upon written request of the authorized official of the organization unit with the written approval of said county commissioners, and copies of said request and approval shall be filed with the county treasurer; provided, however, that no transfer shall be made from the main groups "personal services" or "equipment" to another main group nor shall any transfer be made from any other main group into the main groups "personal services" or "equipment".

Transfers within an appropriation between classes and between sub-classes within a main group may be made by the authorized official of the organization unit whenever in his opinion public necessity and convenience so requires; provided, however, that no transfer shall be made within the classes of the main groups "personal services" or "equipment".

Amounts included for permanent positions in sums appropriated in section one for personal services are based upon schedules of permanent positions and salary rates as approved by the joint committee on counties, and, except as otherwise shown by the files of said committee, a copy of which shall be deposited with the county personnel board, no part of sums so appropriated in section one shall be available for payment of salaries of any additional permanent positions, or for payments on account of reallocations of permanent positions, or for payments on account of any change of salary range or compensation of any permanent positions, notwithstanding any special or general act to the contrary.

Moneys appropriated under this act for the purchase of equipment shall be expended for the purposes specified in the schedules as approved by the joint committee on counties and for no other purpose.

No direct drafts against the account known as the reserve fund shall be made, but transfers from this account to other accounts may be made to meet extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures upon the request of the county commissioners with the approval of the director of accounts.

SECTION 3. No expense incurred for mid-day meals by county officers and employees, other than those who receive as part of their compensation a non-cash allowance in the form of full or complete boarding and housing, and those county officers and employees who are stationed beyond commuting distance from their homes for a period of more than twenty-four hours, shall be allowed by any county; provided, that officers or employees who have charge of juries or who have the care and custody of prisoners, insane persons or other persons placed in their charge by a court or under legal proceedings for transfer to or from court to an institution or from institution to institution and persons certified by a district attorney as engaged in investigation shall be reimbursed for the expense of mid-day meals when necessarily engaged on such duty; and provided, further, that county officers and employees in attendance at meetings and conferences called by or for any group or class on a statewide basis shall be so reimbursed.

No moneys appropriated under this act shall be expended by county officers or employees for telephone service furnished to such officers or employees at places other than regular county offices.

SECTION 4. The allowance to county officers and employees for expenses incurred by them in the operation of motor vehicles owned by them or by any member of their immediate families and used in the performance of their official duties shall not exceed eight cents a mile, except in cases where a higher allowance is specifically provided by statute; provided, that in the case of commitments of the insane the justice of the court ordering the commitment may order a higher rate. No expenditures shall be made for travel outside the commonwealth for attendance at conferences or conventions.

SECTION 5. Any provision of general or special law to the contrary notwithstanding, any county officer or employee whose salary rate on July first, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, was limited to an increase in rate of one thousand dollars shall receive an increase in

salary rate of not more than one step in his salary grade, effective on his anniversary date or on July first, nineteen hundred and fifty-nine, in accordance with approved list filed with the county personnel board by the joint committee on counties. *Approved May 18, 1959.*

Chap. 312. AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE EXPIRATION DATES AND RENEWAL FEES OF ELECTRICIANS' LICENSES.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is in part to provide forthwith electricians' licenses, which expire annually on July thirty-first, be renewable for a two-year period and in part to regulate the amount to be paid upon the expiration date of such license for a renewal, 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. Section 3 of chapter 141 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out clause (4), as amended by section 1 of chapter 347 of the acts of 1934, and inserting in place thereof the following clause:—

(4) Each "Certificate A" shall expire on July thirty-first in each odd numbered year, but may be renewed by the same person, or the same firm or corporation acting by one or more of its members or officers, without further examination, upon payment of a fee of thirty dollars, application therefor being made during said month or, in case of absence, sickness or other disability of the holder, at such time thereafter as the examiners may permit.

SECTION 2. Said section 3 of said chapter 141 is hereby further amended by striking out clause (5), as amended by section 2 of chapter 190 of the acts of 1954, and inserting in place thereof the following clause:—

(5) Each "Certificate B" shall expire on July thirty-first in each odd numbered year, but may be renewed upon payment of a fee of five dollars, and upon the same conditions set forth in clause (4).

Approved May 18, 1959.

Chap. 313. AN ACT MAKING CERTAIN CORRECTIVE CHANGES IN THE GENERAL LAWS BY STRIKING OUT REFERENCES TO THE OFFICE OF TRIAL JUSTICE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 40 of chapter 138 of the General Laws, as appearing in section 2 of chapter 376 of the acts of 1933, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 1, the words "or trial justice".

SECTION 2. The first paragraph of section 42 of said chapter 138, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 2, and in lines 20 and 21, the words "or trial justice".

SECTION 3. Section 47 of said chapter 138, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 1, the words "or trial jus-