

Chap. 855. AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF MIDDLESEX 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.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. To provide for the maintenance of Middlesex 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 sixty-nine:

MIDDLESEX COUNTY.		<u>Subtotal</u>	<u>Total</u>
1.	For interest on county debt		\$669,129 75
2.	For reduction of county debt		903,000 00
3.	For county commissioners, salaries and expenses		250,566 22
	1. Personal services	\$234,814 22	
	2. Contractual services	3,500 00	
	3. Supplies and materials	6,000 00	
	4. Current charges and obligations	1,000 00	
	5. Equipment	5,252 00	
4.	For transportation and expenses of county and acting commissioners		9,312 00
5.	For clerk of courts, salaries and expenses		572,679 74
	1. Personal services	520,864 74	
	2. Contractual services	13,000 00	
	3. Supplies and materials	27,000 00	
	4. Current charges and obligations	9,135 00	
	5. Equipment	2,680 00	
6.	For county treasurer, salaries and expenses		125,606 42
	1. Personal services	110,612 42	
	2. Contractual services	5,169 00	
	3. Supplies and materials	6,550 00	
	4. Current charges and obligations	2,500 00	
	5. Equipment	775 00	
7.	For sheriff, salary and expenses		13,895 00
	1. Personal services	13,695 00	
	4. Current charges and obligations	200 00	
8.	For registry of deeds, salaries and expenses Northern District		262,206 29
	1. Personal services	215,048 39	
	2. Contractual services	37,727 00	
	3. Supplies and materials	3,151 90	
	4. Current charges and obligations	2,480 00	
	5. Equipment	3,799 00	

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Southern District		\$1,098,984 44
1. Personal services	\$917,243 79	
2. Contractual services	29,920 65	
3. Supplies and materials	56,300 00	
4. Current charges and obligations	60,260 00	
5. Equipment	20,260 00	
7. Expansion of I.B.M. Coding System	15,000 00	
8a. For registry of probate, salaries and expenses		67,895 50
2. Contractual services	39,110 00	
3. Supplies and materials	22,000 00	
4. Current charges and obligations	3,639 00	
5. Equipment	3,146 50	
9. For law library, salaries and expenses — Cambridge		57,876 44
1. Personal services	26,576 44	
2. Contractual services	100 00	
3. Supplies and materials	1,060 00	
4. Current charges and obligations	30,140 00	
For law library, salaries and expenses — Lowell		36,171 10
1. Personal services	15,496 10	
2. Contractual services	275 00	
3. Supplies and materials	200 00	
4. Current charges and obligations	20,000 00	
5. Equipment	200 00	
10. For highways, including state highways, bridges and land damages		1,792,967 03
1. Personal services	745,504 03	
2. Contractual services	25,000 00	
3. Supplies and materials	20,000 00	
4. Current charges and obligations	1,478 00	
5. Equipment	20,835 00	
6. All other	980,150 00	
12. For criminal costs in superior court		939,487 07
1. Personal services	372,643 07	
2. Contractual services	549,525 00	
3. Supplies and materials	9,295 00	
4. Current charges and obligations	4,803 00	
5. Equipment	3,221 00	
13. For civil expenses in supreme judicial, superior probate and land courts, including auditors, masters and referees		834,396 87
1. Personal services	381,836 87	
2. Contractual services	449,675 00	
3. Supplies and materials	1,950 00	
4. Current charges and obligations	640 00	
5. Equipment	295 00	
14. For district courts, salaries and expenses		350,457 17
District Court of Lowell		
1. Personal services	312,611 53	
2. Contractual services	14,735 00	
3. Supplies and materials	16,535 00	
4. Current charges and obligations	2,475 00	
5. Equipment	4,100 64	

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District Court of Somerville			\$416,451 91
1. Personal services		\$372,306 41	
2. Contractual services		20,665 00	
3. Supplies and materials		19,950 00	
4. Current charges and obligations		2,655 00	
5. Equipment		875 50	
District Court of Newton			229,751 61
1. Personal services		207,047 26	
2. Contractual services		13,100 00	
3. Supplies and materials		7,875 00	
4. Current charges and obligations		1,655 00	
5. Equipment		74 35	
District Court of Marlborough			147,444 18
1. Personal services		85,884 68	
2. Contractual services		2,375 00	
3. Supplies and materials		4,410 00	
4. Current charges and obligations		4,274 50	
5. Equipment		50,500 00	
District Court of Natick			81,846 99
1. Personal services		68,602 74	
2. Contractual services		3,900 00	
3. Supplies and materials		2,000 00	
4. Current charges and obligations		6,659 25	
5. Equipment		685 00	
First District Court of Eastern Middlesex			385,918 96
1. Personal services		351,736 96	
2. Contractual services		17,625 00	
3. Supplies and materials		12,300 00	
4. Current charges and obligations		1,900 00	
5. Equipment		2,357 00	
Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex			256,849 59
1. Personal services		230,728 09	
2. Contractual services		15,400 00	
3. Supplies and materials		7,300 00	
4. Current charges and obligations		1,874 00	
5. Equipment		1,547 50	
Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex			807,264 68
1. Personal services		747,839 18	
2. Contractual services		13,740 00	
3. Supplies and materials		36,523 00	
4. Current charges and obligations		1,402 50	
5. Equipment		7,760 00	
Fourth District Court of Eastern Middlesex			328,937 42
1. Personal services		300,369 97	
2. Contractual services		13,580 00	
3. Supplies and materials		8,875 00	
4. Current charges and obligations		2,600 00	
5. Equipment		3,512 45	
First District Court of Northern Middlesex			159,596 61
1. Personal services		140,740 00	
2. Contractual services		6,400 00	
3. Supplies and materials		3,800 00	
4. Current charges and obligations		7,856 60	
5. Equipment		800 00	

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First District Court of Southern Middlesex		\$307,919 45
1. Personal services	\$272,659 45	
2. Contractual services	20,450 00	
3. Supplies and materials	10,375 00	
4. Current charges and obligations	2,275 00	
5. Equipment	2,160 00	
District Court of Central Middlesex		135,313 10
1. Personal services	116,934 25	
2. Contractual services	5,067 50	
3. Supplies and materials	5,453 20	
4. Current charges and obligations	6,127 00	
5. Equipment	1,731 15	
District Court — Juvenile Division		99,905 30
1. Personal services	88,056 80	
2. Contractual services	7,550 00	
3. Supplies and materials	1,272 50	
4. Current charges and obligations	240 00	
5. Equipment	2,786 00	
District Court — Appellate Division		4,731 47
1. Personal services	4,111 47	
2. Contractual services	210 00	
3. Supplies and materials	200 00	
4. Current charges and obligations	210 00	
15. For medical examiners and commitments of insane		143,650 00
16. For jail and house of correction, maintenance and operation — Billerica		1,260,789 38
1. Personal services	750,079 88	
2. Contractual services	63,000 00	
3. Supplies and materials	300,000 00	
4. Current charges and obligations	11,547 00	
5. Equipment	136,162 50	
For jail and house of correction, maintenance and operation — Cambridge		569,203 03
For manufacturing department — Billerica		40,116 60
1. Personal services	24,741 60	
2. Contractual services	175 00	
3. Supplies and materials	15,200 00	
17. For training school		849,849 53
1. Personal services	545,721 78	
2. Contractual services	30,000 00	
3. Supplies and materials	165,000 00	
4. Current charges and obligations	20,149 00	
5. Equipment	88,978 75	
18. For court houses and registry buildings, main- tenance and operation		1,163,891 04
1. Personal services	920,539 72	
2. Contractual services	160,490 00	
3. Supplies and materials	40,925 00	
4. Current charges and obligations	24,563 32	
5. Equipment	17,373 00	

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20. For agricultural school or county aid to agriculture, maintenance and operation		\$179,225 17
1. Personal services	\$159,833 73	
2. Contractual services	13,585 00	
3. Supplies and materials	5,100 00	
4. Current charges and obligations	524 00	
5. Equipment	182 44	
21. For state reservation, maintenance and operation (Walden Pond)		91,352 70
1. Personal services	82,351 75	
2. Contractual services	3,585 00	
3. Supplies and materials	5,200 00	
4. Current charges and obligations	215 95	
24. For noncontributory pensions		277,482 92
25. For contributory retirement system and supervisory expenses		606,852 94
26. For miscellaneous and contingent expenses		129,534 56
27. For unpaid bills of previous years		161,829 88
28. For reserve fund		75,000 00
30. For forest fire patrol		6,000 00
39. For group insurance		323,240 24
Total amount of appropriations	\$17,224,580 30	
Less estimated amount available for reduction of county tax		3,303,603 63
And the county commissioners of Middlesex 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		\$13,920,976 67

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 Middlesex county a certification of the amounts above appropriated as set forth in the approved schedules. 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 subclass.

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 the 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", "equipment", "structures

and improvement" or "improvements to land" to another main group nor shall any transfer be made from any other main group into any of the aforementioned main groups.

Transfers within an appropriation between classes and between subclasses 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 law 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.

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 noncash 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; 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 expenses 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.

Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, not more than two employees of a county may be reimbursed for meals and other expenses incurred in attendance at a meeting or conference called by or for any group or class on a statewide basis.

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

No moneys appropriated under this act shall be approved by the county commissioners and expended by the county treasurer for any unpaid bills of previous years which were incurred prior to January first of nineteen hundred and sixty-eight.

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, but not to exceed forty cents a mile one way. No expenditures shall be made for travel outside the commonwealth for attendance at conferences or conventions.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved August 29, 1969.

Chap. 856. AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE TO USE THE INSURANCE PROCEEDS FROM A CERTAIN FIRE TO REDUCE THE CURRENT TAX RATE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of law to the contrary, the city of Somerville is hereby authorized, upon the recommendation of the mayor and the approval of a two thirds vote of the board of aldermen, to apply an amount not exceeding six hundred thousand dollars from the insurance proceeds resulting from a fire loss at the Western Junior High School to be used as a credit in the determination of the tax rate of the city of Somerville for the year nineteen hundred and sixty-nine.

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

Approved August 29, 1969.

Chap. 857. AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF TAUNTON TO BORROW MONEY FOR A NEW ELECTRIC GENERATING UNIT AND TO MAKE LONG-TERM CONTRACTS FOR THE SALE OF ELECTRICITY.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. For the purpose of constructing and equipping a new electric generating unit, including transmission and other facilities appurtenant thereto, the city of Taunton may borrow from time to time such sums as may be necessary, not exceeding nineteen million dollars, and may issue bonds or notes of the city therefor which shall bear on their face the words, Taunton Electric Loan, Act of 1969. Each authorized issue shall constitute a separate loan and shall mature serially beginning not later than one year, and ending not later than thirty years, after the date of issue or the date of commencing regular operation of the unit as determined or estimated by the manager of the city's electric department, whichever date is later. The maturities of each issue shall be arranged so that the amounts payable in the several years for principal and interest combined shall be as nearly equal as it is practicable to make them in the opinion of the officers authorized to issue the bonds or notes, or in the alternative in accordance with a schedule providing a more rapid amortization of principal.

SECTION 2. If the city votes to issue bonds or notes hereunder, the officers authorized to issue the same may, in the name of the city, make