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By Mr. Glaser of Malden, petition of the Massachusetts Police Association and others for legislation to amend the law relative to budgets in cities. Municipal Finance.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-Two.

### AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW RELATIVE TO BUDGETS IN CITIES.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter 44 of the General Laws is hereby amended  
2 by striking out section 33A, as amended by chapter  
3 370 of the acts of 1950, and inserting in place thereof  
4 the following section: —

5 *Section 33A.* The annual budget shall include sums  
6 sufficient to pay the salaries of officers and employees  
7 fixed by law or by ordinance. Notwithstanding any  
8 contrary provision of any city charter, no ordinance  
9 providing for an increase in the salaries or wages of  
10 municipal employees shall be enacted except by a  
11 two-thirds vote of the city council, nor unless it is to  
12 be operative for more than three months during the  
13 financial year in which it is passed, if the financial  
14 year in which it is passed is a municipal election year.

15 No new position shall be created or increase in rate

16 made by ordinance, vote or appointment during the  
17 financial year subsequent to the date the budget is ac-  
18 cepted or put into effect unless provision therefor has  
19 been made by means of a supplemental appropriation.  
20 No ordinance, vote or appointment creating a new  
21 position in any year in which a municipal election is  
22 held shall be valid and effective unless said ordinance,  
23 vote or appointment is operative for more than three  
24 months during said municipal election year.