
By Mr. Mahan of Leominster, petition of Laurie J. Cormier (mayor) and members of the city council that the city of Leominster be authorized to appropriate money for the payment of certain unpaid bills. Municipal Finance.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF LEOMINSTER TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR THE PAYMENT OF AND TO PAY CERTAIN UNPAID BILLS.

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

1 SECTION 1. For the purpose of discharging moral
2 obligations, the city of Leominster is hereby authorized
3 to appropriate money for the payment of, and after such
4 appropriation the treasurer of said city is hereby author-
5 ized to pay, unpaid bills incurred by said city, for services
6 and materials rendered to said city in the construction
7 of the Northwest School, in the year nineteen hundred
8 and fifty-five, which bills are legally unenforceable against
9 said city by reason of said services and materials, not
10 having been engaged in accordance with its charter and
11 having been incurred in excess of available appropria-
12 tions.

1 SECTION 2. No bill shall be approved by the auditor
2 of said city for payment or paid by the treasurer thereof
3 under authority of this act unless and until certificates
4 have been signed and filed with said city auditor, stating
5 under the penalties of perjury that the goods, materials
6 or services for which bills have been submitted were

7 ordered by an official or an employee of said city, and
8 that such goods and materials were delivered and ac-
9 tually received by said city or that such services were
10 rendered to said city, or both.

1 SECTION 3. Any person who knowingly files a cer-
2 tificate required by section two, which is false, and who
3 thereby receives payment for goods, materials or services
4 which were not received by or rendered to said city,
5 shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than
6 one year or by a fine of not more than three hundred
7 dollars, or both.

1 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.