
To accompany the petition of Silvio O. Conte for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to the enactment of laws affecting municipal expenditures and taxation. Constitutional Law.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

PROPOSAL FOR A LEGISLATIVE AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION RELATIVE TO THE ENACTMENT OF LAWS AFFECTING MUNICIPAL EXPENDITURES AND TAXATION.

1 A majority of all the members elected to the Senate and
2 House of Representatives, in joint session, hereby declares
3 it to be expedient to alter the Constitution by the adoption
4 of the following Article of Amendment, to the end that it
5 may become a part of the Constitution [if similarly agreed
6 to in a joint session of the next General Court and approved
7 by the people at the state election next following]:

8 ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

9 No general or special law enacted after the effective date
10 of this amendment granting exemptions from local taxation,
11 regulating the terms or conditions of municipal employment,
12 increasing the benefits payable to any class of person, or
13 otherwise requiring increased expenditures for any munic-
14 ipal purpose, shall be effective in any city or town until such
15 law is accepted, by vote or by specific appropriation of money
16 for such purpose, in the case of a city, by the city council
17 in accordance with its charter, and in the case of a town,
18 by a town meeting, unless such law has been enacted by the
19 general court by a two-thirds vote of each of its branches, or
20 unless the general court, at the same session in which such law
21 was enacted, has provided for the assumption by the com-
22 monwealth of any such expenditure or of any loss of taxes
23 resulting from such exemption.

The following report of the Committee on the subject of the proposed amendments to the Constitution of the State of New York, is respectfully submitted to the Senate.

The Constitution of the State of New York

As amended by the Constitution of 1892

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to examine the proposed amendments to the Constitution of the State of New York, and to report thereon to the Senate at its next session.

A report of the committee on the subject of the proposed amendments to the Constitution of the State of New York, is respectfully submitted to the Senate. It is to be observed that the Committee has the honor to report that the following Article of Amendment to the Constitution of the State of New York, is recommended for adoption by the Senate and the Assembly.

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