

HOUSE No. 1292

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, 26th April, 1927.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

I am returning herewith, without my approval, House Bill No. 1163, being "An Act Increasing the Salaries of the Chief Justice and the Associate Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, of the Chief Justice and the Associate Justices of the Superior Court, and of the Judge and Associate Judges of the Land Court."

We now have before us a report pertaining to the salaries of the administrative branch of the State government. This report is receiving serious study, and provision has been made in the general appropriation bill of the current year for salary increases to the extent of \$600,000 on an annual basis, — this in addition to about \$1,745,000 of increases which have been granted in the past five years.

As stated in my budget message, it is my intention to recommend next year such appropriations as may be necessary to complete a readjustment of administrative salaries.

I propose also to take up next year the question of a readjustment of judicial salaries and believe that in the meantime action on this matter should be postponed.

ALVAN T. FULLER.

