

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, March 30, 1965.

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives.*

I am returning, herewith, without my approval, House Bill No. 3338 entitled "An Act Authorizing the Appointment of Robert J. Cloonan as a Member of the Regular Police Force of the City of Lynn".

Section 20A, which is waived by the provisions of this act, sets forth that no person who has passed his fiftieth birthday shall be appointed from a reserve force to a regular force.

I am advised that Mr. Cloonan is fifty-six years of age and, therefore, could not be appointed in accordance with existing laws.

If an exception is made of this case, it will inevitably lead to similar requests. In my opinion, we ought not to establish such a precedent.

For the above reasons I cannot approve the measure and I am returning this Bill without my approval.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN A. VOLPE,  
*Governor of the Commonwealth.*

The Constitution of Massachusetts

Article I

Section 1

Every legislative body in Massachusetts shall be called the General Court.

Section 2

I am referring therein, without my explicitly saying so, to the article "The General Court" in the Constitution of the Commonwealth as a Member of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth.

Section 3

I am advised that the Commission on Governmental Reform, which was organized in 1978, and which has since that time been engaged in a study of the Government of the Commonwealth, has recommended that the Commission on Governmental Reform be reorganized and be organized in 1980, and that the Commission on Governmental Reform be reorganized and be organized in 1980, and that the Commission on Governmental Reform be reorganized and be organized in 1980.

For the above reasons I agree to have the above bill passed without my approval.

Respectfully,  
Governor

WALTER D. BURNHAM

Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts