

By Mr. Early of Lowell, petition of Paul J. Sheehy (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Lowell be authorized to appropriate money for the payment of and to pay certain unpaid bills. Local Affairs. [Local Approval Received.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Three.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF LOWELL 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. The City of Lowell is hereby authorized to
2 appropriate for the payment of, and after such appropriation,
3 the Treasurer of said City is hereby authorized to pay, such of
4 the unpaid bills incurred by said City and totalling Two
5 Thousand Six Hundred Forty-eight (\$2,648.00) Dollars, as set
6 forth in the list on file in the Office of the Director of
7 Accounts in the Department of Corporations and Taxation, as
8 are legally unenforceable against said City, by reason of the
9 services thereunder having been fully performed before the
10 issuance of Purchase Orders in accordance with the Reserve
11 Ordinance Clause of the City of Lowell; provided, that the
12 money so appropriated to pay such bills shall be raised by
13 taxation or made available from the unappropriated surplus
14 funds of the City.

1 SECTION 2. No bill shall be approved by the Auditor of
2 the said City for payment or paid by the Treasurer thereof
3 under the authority of this act unless and until certificates have
4 been signed and filed with said Auditor, stating under the
5 penalties of perjury that the services for which said bills have
6 been submitted were ordered by an official or an employee of
7 said City and that such services were rendered to said City or
8 both.

1 SECTION 3. Any person who knowingly files a certificate
2 required by section 2 which is false, and who thereby receives
3 payment by section 2 which is false, and who thereby receives
4 payment for services which were not rendered to said City,
5 shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than one year
6 or by a fine of not more than Three Hundred (\$300.00)
7 Dollars, or both.

1 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance
2 by the City of Lowell during the current year.