

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 1078

By Mr. Armstrong of Plymouth, petition of the County Commissioners & Sheriffs Association of Massachusetts relative to expenditures by counties in excess of appropriations. Counties.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Four.

### AN ACT RELATIVE TO EXPENDITURES BY COUNTIES IN EXCESS OF APPROPRIATIONS.

*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. Section 32 of chapter 35 of the General Laws, as  
2 most recently amended by section 1 of chapter 282 of the acts  
3 of 1960, is hereby further amended by striking out said section  
4 and inserting the following section:—

5 *Section 32.* No county expenditure shall be made or liability  
6 incurred, nor shall a bill be paid for any purpose, in excess of  
7 the appropriation therefor, except as provided in sections four-  
8 teen, thirty-three and thirty-four.

1 SECTION 2. Section 33 of chapter 35 of the General Laws,  
2 stricken out by section 2 of chapter 282 of the acts of 1960, is  
3 hereby reinstated as follows:—

4 *Section 33.* If the appropriation for any purpose is insuffi-  
5 cient to meet an expenditure required by law, the treasurer may,  
6 on order of the county commissioners, pay the same from any  
7 money in the treasury. The commissioners shall place on their  
8 records a statement of all such payments with the reasons in  
9 detail therefor, and shall report fully and specifically thereon in  
10 their next annual report.

