

SENATE . . . . . No. 956

By Mr. Timilty, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 956) of Joseph F. Timilty for legislation to require that city finance commissions select or appoint all accounting firms for auditing purposes and further providing that all such auditing or accounting firms report directly to said finance commissions. Local Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT REQUIRING THAT CITY FINANCE COMMISSIONS SELECT OR APPOINT ALL ACCOUNTING FIRMS FOR AUDITING PURPOSES AND FURTHER PROVIDING THAT ALL SUCH AUDITING OR ACCOUNTING FIRMS REPORT DIRECTLY TO SAID FINANCE COMMISSIONS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

- 1 Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary
- 2 any audit of a city required by state, federal or local law,
- 3 shall be conducted by an accounting firm selected and ap-
- 4 pointed by the finance commission of said city. Any reports
- 5 and or recommendations relative to that city shall then be
- 6 made directly to the finance commission at a public hearing.
- 7 All staff reports and recommendations of the auditing firm
- 8 shall be deemed public information.
- 9 This act shall take effect upon its passage.

