

By Mr. Brownell of Quincy, petition of Thomas F. Brownell for legislation to increase taxes credited to the Local Aid Fund and providing for increased payments to cities and towns. Taxation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT INCREASING TAXES CREDITED TO THE LOCAL AID FUND AND PROVIDING FOR INCREASED PAYMENTS TO CITIES AND TOWNS.

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 2D of Chapter 29 of the General Laws, as
2 most recently amended by section 58 of Chapter 367 of the Acts of
3 1978, is hereby further amended by striking said section and insert-
4 ing in place thereof the following: —

5 *Section 2D.* There shall be established and set up on the books
6 of the commonwealth a separate fund, subject to appropriation, to
7 be known as the Local Aid Fund. There shall be credited to such
8 fund the following: —

9 (a) Fifty [Forty] per cent of the net sums received chapter
10 sixty-two as taxes on income, interest thereon or penalties, includ-
11 ing payments made on account thereof under chapter sixty-two B;

12 (b) Fifty [Forty] per cent of the net sums received under sections
13 thirty to fifty-one, inclusive, of chapter sixty-three, as excises,
14 interest thereon or penalties, including payments made on account
15 thereof under chapter sixty-three B;

16 (c) Fifty [Forty] per cent of the net sums received under chapter
17 sixty-four H and sixty-four I as excises upon the sale at retail or
18 tangible personal property and upon the storage, use or other
19 consumption of tangible personal property, interest thereon or
20 penalties;

KEY: [brackets] indicate material stricken from existing law.
UNDERSCORING indicates material added to existing law.

21 (d) The balance of the State Lottery fund after payment of
22 prizes and the expenses of administering and operating the lottery
23 as determined by the comptroller in accordance with clause (c) of
24 section thirty-five of chapter ten; and

25 (e) The annual income of the Massachusetts School Fund.

26 Revenue credited to the Local Aid Fund shall be used solely for
27 payment to cities, towns and districts of such amounts as may be
28 appropriated for state assistance, reimbursements and distribu-
29 tions to such cities, towns and districts as provided by general and
30 special law (except amounts distributed from the Highway Fund
31 in accordance with the provisions of section thirty-one of Chapter
32 eighty-one); for payment by the Commonwealth of the amount
33 appropriated for the teachers retirement system; and for (payment
34 of state assistance to cities and towns in accordance with the
35 provisions of clause C of section 36 of Chapter 10.) the amounts
36 appropriated to be distributed to cities and towns in accordance
37 with the provisions of section 18C of Chapter 58 of the General
38 Laws.

39 (Any additional distribution from this fund shall be used solely
40 for the reduction of property taxes).

1 SECTION 3. The provisions of section one of this act shall
2 apply to revenues credited to the Local Aid Fund for the fiscal
3 years beginning July 1, 1982 and thereafter.