

By Mrs. Murray of Cohasset, petition of Mary Jeanette Murray and Robert L. Hedlund for legislation to prohibit certain public authorities from appropriating funds to encourage public lobbying efforts. State Administration.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Five.

AN ACT PROHIBITING CERTAIN AUTHORITIES FROM APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO ENCOURAGE PUBLIC LOBBYING EFFORTS.

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. Chapter 190 of the Acts of 1982 is hereby amended
2 by inserting after section 39 the following new section: —

3 Section 39A. The Authority shall not appropriate funds to pur-
4 chase advertisements in print or any other information media
5 expressing opinions or positions of the authority or any of its
6 management, which purposes to encourage or enhance public
7 efforts to promote, oppose or influence legislation affecting said
8 authority.

1 SECTION 2. Chapter 606 of the Acts of 1958 as most recently
2 amended by Section 100 of Chapter 371 of the Acts of 1983 is
3 hereby further amended by inserting the following new section: —

4 Section 6A. The Authority shall not appropriate funds to pur-
5 chase advertisements in print or any other information media
6 expressing opinions or positions of the authority or any of its man-
7 agement, which purposes to encourage or enhance public efforts to
8 promote, oppose or influence legislation affecting said authority.

1 SECTION 3. Chapter 354 of the Acts of 1952 as most recently
2 amended by Chapter 92 of the Acts of 1986 is hereby further
3 amended by inserting the following new section: —

4 Section 7A. The Authority shall not appropriate funds to pur-
5 chase advertisements in print or any other information media
6 expressing opinions or positions of the authority or any of its man-
7 agement, which purposes to encourage or enhance public efforts to
8 promote, oppose or influence legislation affecting said authority.

1 SECTION 4. Chapter 465 of the Acts of 1956 as most recently
2 amended by Section 99 of Chapter 371 of the Acts of 1983 is
3 hereby further amended by inserting the following new section: —

4 Section 3A. The Authority shall not appropriate funds to pur-
5 chase advertisements in print or any other information media
6 expressing opinions or positions of the authority or any of its
7 management, which purposes to encourage or enhance public
8 efforts to promote, oppose or influence legislation affecting said
9 authority.

1 SECTION 5. Chapter 372 of the Acts of 1984 is hereby amended
2 by inserting the following new section: —

3 Section 4A. The Authority shall not appropriate funds to pur-
4 chase advertisements in print or any other information media
5 expressing opinions or positions of the authority or any of its
6 management, which purposes to encourage or enhance public
7 efforts to promote, oppose or influence legislation affecting said
8 authority.