

SENATE No. 637

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, June 30, 1947.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

I am returning herewith without my approval Senate Bill No. 515 entitled, "AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE SALARIES OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEYS, ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEYS, DEPUTY ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEYS, AND A SPECIAL ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY IN SUFFOLK COUNTY."

At this session the General Court has considered and determined against any general increase in the compensation of state employees. This bill makes an exception in favor of one class of state officials and provides for that class substantial raises in salary. However reasonable such special raises may be, they are not in accord with the general policy which has been adopted for all other classes of employees.

If such general exceptions to the rule as this are approved, we cannot hold the line against advancing costs of government without imposing additional taxes. I therefore return this bill without my approval.

Respectfully yours,

ROBERT F. BRADFORD,
Governor of Massachusetts.