

HOUSE . . . . . No. 3165

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, June 1, 1960.

The committee on Counties on the part of the House, to whom was referred the annual report of the Director of Accounts (under section 28 of chapter 35 of the General Laws) of estimates of county receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1960 (House, No. 2881), report (in part) the accompanying bill (House, No. 3165).

For the committee,

CHARLES A. MULLALY, JR.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand — Nine Hundred and Sixty.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF PLYMOUTH COUNTY, ITS DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND INSTITUTIONS, OF SUNDRY OTHER SERVICES, FOR CERTAIN PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS, FOR INTEREST AND DEBT REQUIREMENTS, AND TO MEET CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF LAW AND GRANTING A COUNTY TAX FOR SAID COUNTY.

*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. To provide for the maintenance of Plymouth  
2 county, its departments, boards, commissions and institutions,  
3 of sundry other services, for certain permanent improvements,  
4 for interest and debt requirements, and to meet certain require-  
5 ments of law, the following sums for the several purposes and  
6 subject to the conditions specified in section two are hereby  
7 appropriated, subject to the provisions of law regulating the  
8 disbursement of county funds and the approval thereof for the  
9 year nineteen hundred and sixty:—

### PLYMOUTH COUNTY.

Item	
1. For interest on county debt . . . . .	\$12,408 08
2. For reduction of county debt . . . . .	88,824 00
3. For county commissioners, salaries and expenses . . . . .	24,318 00
4. For transportation and expenses of county and acting commissioners . . . . .	1,151 00
5. For clerk of courts, salaries and expenses . . . . .	57,681 00
6. For county treasurer, salaries and expenses . . . . .	21,818 75
7. For sheriff, salary and expenses . . . . .	12,802 75
8. For registry of deeds, salaries and expenses . . . . .	177,488 05
8a. For registry of probate, salaries and expenses . . . . .	21,366 15
9. For law library, salaries and expenses . . . . .	9,975 00
10. For highways, including state highways, bridges and land damages . . . . .	300,785 00
11. For examination of dams . . . . .	1,000 00
12. For criminal costs in superior court . . . . .	95,762 41
13. For civil expenses in supreme judicial, superior, probate and land courts, including auditors, masters and referees . . . . .	123,527 00
15. For medical examiners and commitments of insane . . . . .	21,925 00
14. For district courts, salaries and expenses . . . . .	271,824 65
16. For jail and house of correction, maintenance and operation . . . . .	301,461 07
17. For training school . . . . .	13,000 00
18. For court houses and registry buildings, maintenance and operation . . . . .	91,735 29
20. For agricultural school or county aid to agriculture, maintenance and operation . . . . .	72,679 37

PLYMOUTH COUNTY — *Concluded.*

Item		
24.	For non-contributory pensions . . . . .	\$26,081 00
25.	For contributory retirement system and supervisory expenses . . . . .	51,806 48
26.	For miscellaneous and contingent expenses . . . . .	2,444 08
27.	For unpaid bills of previous years . . . . .	5,300 00
28.	For reserve fund . . . . .	30,000 00
28a.	For reserve for salary adjustments . . . . .	40,714 91
30.	For forest fire control . . . . .	7,815 00
31.	For bureau of criminal investigation and police training . . . . .	21,402 50
32.	For police radio network . . . . .	350 00
39.	For group insurance . . . . .	13,015 00
	Total amount of appropriations . . . . .	\$1,920,461 54
	Less estimated amount available for reduction of county tax . . . . .	455,822 96

And the county commissioners of PLYMOUTH County are hereby authorized to levy as the county tax of said county for the current year, in the manner provided by law, the sum of . . . . . \$1,464,638 58

1 SECTION 2. Sums appropriated in section one are based upon  
2 detailed schedules approved by the joint committee on counties,  
3 copies of which are deposited with the director of accounts.

4 Said director shall file with the county commissioners and the  
5 county treasurer of Plymouth county a certification of the  
6 amounts above appropriated as set forth in the approved sched-  
7 ules for said county. Except as provided by this act or except  
8 as otherwise provided by law, no liability may be incurred and  
9 no expenditure shall be made in excess of the amount available  
10 in an existing appropriation for a function, a main group, a class  
11 or a sub-class.

12 Transfers within an appropriation from a main group to  
13 another main group may be made upon written request of the  
14 authorized official of the organization unit with the written  
15 approval of said county commissioners, and copies of said re-  
16 quest and approval shall be filed with the county treasurer;  
17 provided, however, that no transfer shall be made from the main  
18 groups "personal services" or "equipment" to another main  
19 group nor shall any transfer be made from any other main  
20 group into the main groups "personal services" or "equipment".

21 Transfers within an appropriation between classes and be-  
22 tween sub-classes within a main group may be made by the  
23 authorized official of the organization unit whenever in his opin-  
24 ion public necessity and convenience so requires; provided,

25 however, that no transfer shall be made within the classes of the  
26 main groups "personal services" or "equipment".

27 Amounts included for permanent positions in sums appro-  
28 priated in section one for personal services are based upon sched-  
29 ules of permanent positions and salary rates as approved by the  
30 joint committee on counties, and, except as otherwise shown by  
31 the files of said committee, a copy of which shall be deposited  
32 with the county personnel board, no part of sums so appropri-  
33 ated in section one shall be available for payment of salaries of  
34 any additional permanent positions, or for payments on account  
35 of reallocations of permanent positions, or for payments on ac-  
36 count of any change of salary range or compensation of any  
37 permanent positions, notwithstanding any special or general act  
38 to the contrary.

39 Moneys appropriated under this act for the purchase of equip-  
40 ment shall be expended for the purposes specified in the sched-  
41 ules as approved by the joint committee on counties and for no  
42 other purpose.

43 No direct drafts against the account known as the reserve  
44 fund shall be made, but transfers from this account to other  
45 accounts may be made to meet extraordinary or unforeseen ex-  
46 penditures upon the request of the county commissioners with  
47 the approval of the director of accounts.

1 SECTION 3. No expense incurred for mid-day meals by county  
2 officers and employees, other than those who receive as part of  
3 their compensation a non-cash allowance in the form of full or  
4 complete boarding and housing, and those county officers and  
5 employees who are stationed beyond commuting distance from  
6 their homes for a period of more than twenty-four hours, shall  
7 be allowed by any county; provided, that officers or employees  
8 who have charge of juries or who have the care and custody of  
9 prisoners, insane persons or other persons placed in their charge  
10 by a court or under legal proceedings for transfer to or from  
11 court to an institution or from institution to institution and per-  
12 sons certified by a district attorney as engaged in investigation  
13 shall be reimbursed for the expense of mid-day meals when  
14 necessarily engaged on such duty; and provided, further, that  
15 county officers and employees in attendance at meetings and  
16 conferences called by or for any group or class on a statewide  
17 basis shall be so reimbursed.

18 No moneys appropriated under this act shall be expended by  
19 county officers or employees for telephone service furnished to  
20 such officers or employees at places other than regular county  
21 offices.

1 SECTION 4. The allowance to county officers and employees  
2 for expenses incurred by them in the operation of motor vehicles  
3 owned by them or by any member of their immediate families  
4 and used in the performance of their official duties shall not  
5 exceed eight cents a mile, except in cases where a higher allow-  
6 ance is specifically provided by statute; provided, that in the  
7 case of commitments of the insane the justice of the court order-  
8 ing the commitment may order a higher rate. No expenditures  
9 shall be made for travel outside the commonwealth for attend-  
10 ance at conferences or conventions.

1 SECTION 5. Any provision of general or special law to the  
2 contrary notwithstanding, any county officer or employee whose  
3 salary rate on July first, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, was  
4 limited to an increase in rate of one thousand dollars shall re-  
5 ceive an increase in salary rate of not more than one step in his  
6 salary grade, if he has not attained the maximum for such grade,  
7 effective on his anniversary date or on July first, nineteen hun-  
8 dred and sixty, in accordance with approved list filed with the  
9 county personnel board by the joint committee on counties.

1 SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

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The Constitution of the State of . . . . .  
is hereby amended in that the . . . . .  
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the State at . . . . .

THIS . . . . . DAY OF . . . . .