



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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Michael Joseph Connolly, Secretary

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Clerks, Municipal Census Supervisors, Treasurers, Mayors,
Boards of Selectmen

FROM: Michael J. Connolly, Secretary of State

DATE: July 3, 1985

SUBJECT: Census Reimbursements for Cities and Towns

Several representatives to the recent conference of the Massachusetts City Clerks raised concerns about the allocation of state funding for their conducting of the 1985 decennial state census in their communities.

This is to inform you that state census funding is earmarked specifically for the local census supervisors. The reimbursements are paid only to those supervisors for the costs they incurred in conducting the census in their communities.

The Commonwealth's fiscal year 1985 supplemental budget (Chapter 54 of the Acts of 1985) clearly states that the money is to be used exclusively for census purposes. It is not an added source of discretionary state aid for cities and towns. To clarify the issue, I have also included that section of Chapter 54 dealing with the census reimbursement issue.

I hope this has clarified any lingering questions you had concerning this matter. However, if you have further questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact me or members of my Census Division staff.

SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

0519-0000 For the expenses of the state decennial census as authorized by chapter nine of the General Laws, including seventy-five per cent reimbursements of estimated costs of cities and towns and final costs upon certification of the secretary of the commonwealth as authorized by section seven A of said chapter nine; provided, however, that funds so distributed shall be deposited in the general fund of each city and town and shall be expended by the municipal census supervisor without further appropriation by the city or town to meet the costs incurred by it under the provisions of said section seven A of said chapter nine \$6,000,000

SECTION 11. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

House of Representatives, May 21, 1985.

Passed to be enacted, *George L. Curran*, Speaker.

In Senate, May 21, 1985.

Passed to be enacted, *William M. Bulger*, President.

May 21, 1985.

Approved,

At Three o'clock and 30 minutes, P. M.

Michael Dukakis
Governor.

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Comm. from Michael J. Connolly, Secretary of
State Re: census reimbursement for cities &
towns for the 1985 decennial state census.

*copy sent to the City Manager 8/8/85
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In City Council,

August 5, 1985

8/5/1985

*Referred to the
- City Manager -*