MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS ACCEPTED BY TOWN OF HUBBARDSTON

MGL Chapter	Section	Brief Description	Date of Action	Article #
32	1-28 inclusive	Establish Contributory Retirement System for Municipal Employees (Acts of 1946, Sec 166)	11/5/1946	Ballot Ques #7
32	85H1/2	Disability retirement compensation for towns with no permanent police or fire department members	6/24/1996	14
32	89B	~~Annuities to dependents of firefighters & police killed in performance of duty~~	~~6/9/2004~~ **Rescinded 6/13/2006**	~~15~~ 20
32B	2	Definition of "employee" to include volunteer fire dept members (Acts of 2003, Ch 46, Sec 12)	12/1/2003	19
32B	1-8,, 9, 9B-11, 11C-18	(Not 8A, 9A, 11A, 11B) Contributory group general or blanket insurance for persons in the service of the town and their dependents	3/2/1970	Ballot Ques #1
32B	9E	~~To allow retired fulltime and part time town employees with benefits who have been employed by the Town for minimum of 10 years to continue to purchase health insurance through the Town~~	**6/7/2011 FAILED**	23
39	16	Appoint a Finance Committee	3/2/1959	29
39	23D	Adjudicatory hearings; attendance by municipal board (miss a meeting law)	12/12/2006	22
40	4	Power to Contract	3/7/1966	26
40	5F	Ambulance Services; allows Town to charge a fee to defray cost of acquiring, establishing, maintaining and operating, including maturing debt and interest **(acceptance not required)**	6/6/2000	23
40	6C	Removal of ice and snow from private ways	5/7/1984 5/7/2002	Ballot Ques #1
40	8A	Establish Development and Industrial Commission	3/1/1965	29
40	8C	Establish a Conservation Commission	3/5/1962	23
40	8D	Historical Commission	4/9/1973	3
40	8G	Mutual Police Aid Program	4/2/1979	11
40	8H	Establish Recycling Program & Commission under direction of Board of Health	6/18/1990	30
40	15C	Scenic Roads **(acceptance not required)**	5/7/1979	18
40	21 (23,24)	Sub-sections 23 & 24; allows town to adopt bylaws with respect to local enforcement of handicapped designated parking spaces	2/19/1991	13
40	21(13)	Voted the following with respect to the Tax Collector – sub-section 13; Allowing the Town to make bylaws requiring all town officers to pay all fees received by them by virtue of their office into the town treasury, or to report the amount thereof from time to time to the selectmen, who shall publish same in annual town report	1/22/1996	31
40	22	Regulation of Vehicles; violations; disabled veterans & handicapped excepted from parking violations	2/16/1976	4
40	22D	Towing away of vehicles illegally parked	3/13/1972	25
40	44B	Establish Regional Refuse Disposal Committee	6/18/1990	29

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40	57	Local licenses and permits; denial, revocation or suspension for failure to pay municipal taxes	10/1/1991	18
40	57	As amended by Acts of 1993, Ch 408 further regulating denial of local licenses & permits	1/22/1996	23
41	19K	Additional compensation for Town Clerk	6/6/2000	19
41	81A-81GG	Establishment, Duties of Planning Board; Master Plan, Official Map	6/29/1959	4
41	97A	Police departments; chief of police; powers and duties (Establish a Police Department)	3/1/1965	40
41	100G.25	Payment of funeral expenses for police/fire killed in performance of duty (not more than $5000)	6/9/2004	16
41	108L	Police career incentive pay program (Quinn bill)	6/6/2000	18
41	108P	Additional compensation for collectors & treasurers	6/6/2000	20
41	111	Vacation of certain employees – 2 weeks	3/1/1954	31
44	53C	All extra duty police work must be paid through a separate fund **(acceptance not required)**	9/10/1984	9
44	53D	Recreation and park self-supporting service revolving funds; creation; use of funds	6/18/1990	36
44	53F ½	Establish Enterprise Fund for Ambulance Services	6/5/2012	11
44B	3-7	Voted to accept Community Preservation Act at 1-1/2% rate; exemptions for low income, seniors & first $100,000 value	11/7/2006	State Elec, Ques #4
45	2	Establish a Board of Park Commissioners	4/10/2007	11
48	42-44	Establish a Fire Department; Appointment of fire chief; compensation; powers & duties	~~3/3/1952~~ Rescinded 3/2/1953	30 25
48	42-44	Establish a Fire Department; Appointment of fire chief; Compensation; powers & duties	3/1/1954	24
49	28	Use of premises of field driver for keeping impounded animals; conditions (as amended by Public Statutes of 1882; Chapter 36, Section 29)	3/5/1894	19
53	18B	Allows ballot question explanations on ballot and to be mailed to all households (Acts of 2010, Ch 188)	8/30/10	Board of Selctmn
54	16A	Allows Town Clerk to appoint election officer at the opening of polls if a warden, clerk, or officer is not present; must be same political party as missing officer	12/4/2007	10
58	1	An Act relative to the qualifications of certain assessors (Acts of 1980, Ch 416) (Selectmen approval only req.)	1/9/1984	Board of Selctmn
58	7A	State Tax Commission (Repealed 1979)	5/3/1971	8
59	2A(a)	Allowing assessors to value property erected between Jan 1-June 30 to be assessed as of Jan 1 (Effective FY02)	12/3/2001	29
59	2D	Taxation of real estate for entire fiscal year based on value at issuance of occupancy permit if assessed value increased > 50% **(acceptance not required)**	5/2/2000	Ballot Ques #1
59	5 (17th)	Increased Real Estate tax exemptions for over 70, widows, minors, etc	5/10/1982	28
59	5 (17thD)	Increased Real Estate tax exemptions for over 70, widows, minors, etc.	10/28/1996 Effective 7/1/1997	28

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59	5	As amended by the Acts of 1982, Ch. 653; Providing relief from the impact of revaluation	6/20/1983	26
59	5	As amended by the Acts of 1995, Ch.181; Increase annually exemption amounts granted under MGL Ch59, Sec 5, (17),(17C), (17C1/2), (17D) by 100% of the Cost of Living Adjustment as determined by Commissioner of Revenue	12/3/2001	31
59	5 (17thE)	Increase annually the amount of assets used to qualify for exemption under Cost of Living Adjustment(COLA) as determined by the Commissioner of Revenue	12/3/2001	32
59	5 (22, 22A-E)	As amended by the Acts of 1993 to allow Veteran's Exemption applications to be granted to otherwise eligible persons residing in the Commonwealth for one year prior to the date of the filing for exemption	6/1/2010	26
59	5(41D)	Increase annually the amount of income & assets used to qualify for exemption sec 5 (41), (41B), (41C) by COLA	12/3/2001	33
59	5 (54th)	Personal property valued at less than $5000 is exempted from personal property tax (Effective FY03)	12/3/2001	30
59	5 (54th)	Personal property valued at less than $10,000 is exempted from personal property tax	6/3/2014	10
59	5K	Property tax liability reduced in exchange for volunteer services for persons over age 60 (up to $500)	6/18/2002	18
59	5L	Deferral of taxes due by member of Mass. Nat'l Guard or reservist on duty outside MA	12/12/2006	27
59	21A	Additional compensation of assessors for courses of study (FY06)	6/14/2005	13
59	57B	Interest on unpaid RE or PP taxes $50 & under (Acts of 1987, Ch 402)	10/23/1989	5
59	57C	Preliminary tax for real estate and personal property; quarterly installment payments (Effective FY02)	6/6/2000	17
60	23B	Fee schedule for Municipal Lien Certificates	12/10/09	16
60A	1	As amended by Ch 182, Sec 16 or the Acts of 2008 to allow active full-time military servicemen exemption from motor vehicle excise while deployed outside US (Effective Jan. 1, 2010)	12/10/09	14
60A	9	Added by Ch 182, Sec 17 of the Acts of 2008 to allow deferment of payment of motor vehicle excise for MA National Guard members	12/10/09	15
71	16-16I	Establish a Regional School District (Acts of 1964, Ch 568 & Acts of 1965, Ch 543)	2/2/1963	1
71	71E	~~Establish an account for public programs in schools for use of said programs~~	1/4/1982 **Defeated**	8
80	13B	Betterments; Deferral and recovery agreements	1/22/1996	32
90	20A1/2	Appoint parking clerk; Tax Collector as Parking Clerk	1/4/1982	4
90	20C	Violations of Parking Regulations	5/3/1971	3
90	22C	Disposition of Abandoned Motor Vehicles	5/3/1971	4

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91	29	Voted that the Town assume liability in the manner provided by said chapter for all damages that may be incurred by work performed by Mass DPW in rivers and streams of the Town	2/5/1940	27
94C	47	Law Enforcement Trust Account	6/20/1989	11
101	---	Voted to adopt so much of MGL Ch 101 [Transient vendors, hawkers and peddlers] for its rule of action in the future as it relates to the suppression of public nuisances	4/24/1882	3
114	22-26	Regarding duties and authority of an elected board of Cemetery Commissioners	4/10/2007	10
121B	3	Establish Housing Authority	5/12/1980	22
140	139	No fee for dog license for dog owner 70 yrs or over as of Mar 31 (Effective 2008 license year)	4/10/2007	24
140	147A	Enabling Town to enact bylaws and set fees relative to regulation of dogs	10/26/1993	8
143	3Z	Allowing part-time building inspectors to perform work in community where they are appointed, said work to be inspected by assistant inspector or inspector from another town	6/28/1994	16
147	13A	Reserve Police Force	5/24/1966	5
148	26C 26E	Smoke detectors	10/15/1985	2
148	26G	Automatic Sprinklers systems required in non-residential buildings or additions >7500SF	6/20/1989	10
148	26H	Automatic sprinkler systems required in lodging or boarding houses	6/14/2005	21
148	26I	Automatic sprinkler systems required in multiple dwelling units; new or renovated	6/14/2005	22
152	69-75	Voted that the terms Laborers, Workmen, and Mechanics as used in MGL Ch 152, Sec 69-75 shall include such other employees, except members of the Police or Fire Department, regardless of the nature of their work, as may be employed on High way Work to be done under contracts with the Commonwealth	6/21/1939	2
152	69	Workers' compensation; members of a police or fire force in work under a contract (as amended by Acts of 1939, Ch 435)	5/28/1940	2
166	32A	Wiring Inspector may work as electrician in town provided an assistant inspector is appointed to inspect his work (Acts of 1981, Ch 809)	3/8/1982	2
185	46	Property Taxes due of $25 or less are due in a single payment (Acts of 1984, Ch55)	5/12/1986	9
258	9 & 13	Indemnity of public employees and municipal officials	5/2/1988	Ballot Ques #4
258	13	~~Not Accepted~~ – PASSED OVER	~~5/1980~~	~~13~~

ACTS AND RESOLVES
ACCEPTED BY THE TOWN OF HUBBARDSTON

Acts & Resolves	Chapter	Brief Description	Date of Action	Article #
1872	303	~~Acts of 1872 as amended by Chapter 107 of Acts of 1874; Concerning Sidewalks~~ – no vote recorded	3/3/1879	17
1878	255	~~Acts of 1878; Concerning the election of Selectmen and Assessors~~ voted down in 1879; passed over 1896	3/3/1879 11/2/1896	2 21
1882	36	Public Statutes of 1882, Section 29; Use of premises of field driver for keeping impounded animals; conditions	3/5/1894	19
1888	431	Acts of 1888; To aid small towns to provide themselves with a School Superintendent	3/4/1889	19
1893	417	Sections 293 & 294: Town Elections for which ballots are provided at the expense of the Town (Election Act of 1893)	11/2/1897	4
1901	482	Acts of 1901; Election of Town Clerk for period of 3 years	11/5/1901	5
1912	503	Acts of 1912; Pensioning Laborers in the employ of cities and towns	11/5/1912	Ballot Ques #3
1913	28	Acts of 1913; Making women eligible to appointment as Notaries Public	11/4/1913	Ballot Ques #1
1913	671	Acts of 1913; Pensioning Laborers in the employ of fire districts and water districts	11/4/1913	Ballot Ques #4
1913	807	Acts of 1913; An act to provide for compensating certain public employees for injuries sustained in the course of their employment	11/4/1913	Ballot Ques #3
1919	116	Acts of 1919; Deposits in savings banks and savings departments of trust companies may be placed on interest once a month and not oftener; dividends on such deposits may be declared semi-annually and not oftener and that interest shall not be paid on any such deposits withdrawn between dividend days	11/4/1919	State Election Ques #C
1919	311	Acts of 1919; An Act Relative to the Establishment and maintenance of Continuation Schools and courses of instruction for employed minors	11/4/1919	State Election Ques #B
1939	435	Workers' compensation; members of a police or fire force in work under a contract (Amends MGL Ch152, Sec 69)	5/28/1940	2
1939	513	Acts of 1939; Town to assume liability for all damages that may be incurred by work performed by DPW relative to flooding	2/5/1940	27
1945	723	~~Acts of 1945; An Act allowing the establishment of a municipal district for the purpose of providing information, advice, and assistance to Veterans of World War II or other veterans~~	REJECTED 2/4/1946	27
1946	166	Acts of 1946; Amendment of MGL Ch 32, Sec 1-28 inclusive; Establish contributory Retirement system for Municipal Employees	11/5/1946	Ballot Ques #7

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1964	568	Establish a Regional School District (MGL Ch71, Sec 16-16I)	2/2/1963	1
1965	543	Establish a Regional School Distric (MGL Ch71, Sec 16-16I)	2/2/1963	1
1980	416	Acts of 1980; An act relative to the qualification of certain assessors	1/9/1984	Bd of Selectmen meeting
1981	454	An Act authorizing estimated tax payments in certain cities and towns for FY1982	9/28/1981	1
1981	494	An Act providing for recall elections in the Town of Hubbardston (Amended by Acts of 1990 Chapter 517)	10/29/1981	Legislative Act
1981	743	Acts of 1981; Increased Real Estate tax exemptions for over 70, widows, minors, etc (MGL Ch 59, Sec 5, 17th)	5/10/1982	28
1981	809	Authorizing Electrical Inspector to work as electrician and to hire an assistant to inspect his work	3/8/1982	2
1982	653	Providing relief from the impact of revaluation	6/20/1983	26
1984	55	Property taxes due of $25 or less are due in a single payment (Amends MGL Ch 185, Sec 46)	5/12/1986	9
1984	81	An Act authorizing MDC to sell a certain parcel of land to Town of Hubbardston to be used for elderly or handicapped housing. [Old Princeton Rd Cutoff]	Effective 6/15/1984	Legislative Act
1984	446	An Act authorizing the Town of Hubbardston to withdraw from the Northern Worcester County Health Assoc (NORWOCO)	12/19/1984 Effective 6/30/85	Legislative Act
1985	69	An Act authorizing the Town of Hubbardston to defer until FY1988 its assessment of taxes for the amount necessary to satisfy abatements granted by it for FY1983	5/20/1985	Legislative Act
1985	188	Section 12; An Act Improving Public schools	6/24/1987 6/20/1989	4 8
1987	402	An act relative to the payment of property taxes	10/23/1989	5
1987	444	An Act establishing the office of Treasurer-Collector of Taxes in the Town of Hubbardston to be appointed by Board of Selectmen for a term not to exceed 3 years	5/18/1987 Effective May 1988	19
1988	138	An Act amending the Acts of 1987, Ch 444 relative to the Office of Treasurer-Collector ; providing that the Board of Selectmen may appoint separate individuals to hold the separate positions of treasurer and collector (Effective May 1988)	2/29/1988 Effective May 1988	XVI
1990	291	Acts of 1990; An act permitting a charge for directory assistance and improving telecommunications within the Commonwealth (Enhanced 911)	2/19/1991	27

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1990	517	An Act Relative to Recall Petitions in the Town of Hubbardston (further regulating)	June 18, 1990	11 - by Legislative Act
1993	110	Acts of 1993, Sec. 110; Amends Ch 59, Sec 5, Clause 22,22A, 22B, 22C, 22D, 22E to allow Veteran's Exemption applications to be granted to otherwise eligible persons residing in Mass for 1 yr prior to the date of the filing under clause	6/1/2010	26
1995	181	Increase exemption amount under Ch59, Sec 5, clauses 17, 17C, 17c-1/2, 17D annually by 100% of Cost of Living Adjustment as determined by Commissioner of Revenue	12/3/2001	31
2000	101	An Act validating the results of the annual town election held in the Town of Hubbardston on May 4, 1999	June 9, 2000	Legislative Act
2003	46	Section 12; Definition of "employee" to include volunteer fire dept members	12/1/2003	19
2005	136	Acts of 2005; Interest rate for deferred taxes	6/13/2006	17
2008	182	Section 16 and 17; Allows deferment of payment of excise for MA National Guard members and allows active full-time military servicemen exemption from motor vehicle excise while deployed outside US (Effective Jan. 1, 2010)	12/10/2009	14,15
2010	188	Allows ballot question explanations on ballots and to be mailed to every household (Acts of 2010, Ch 188)	8/30/2010	Board of Selectmen