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**Veto Message: Governor Washburn
1869 (H.67)**

An act in amendment of section eighty-two of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to jurisdiction of constables.

STATE OF VERMONT
Executive Department.
Montpelier, Vt., Nov. 5, 1869.

Message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh,
Secretary of Civil and Military affairs, as follows:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Governor to return herewith to the House of Representatives House bill No. 67, entitled "An act in amendment of section eight-two of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to jurisdiction of constables," without his approval, and with his objections thereto in writing.

Sir: I return herewith to the House of Representatives, without my approval, a bill originating in the House entitled "An act in amendment of section eighty-two of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to jurisdiction of constables."

This bill purports to be a substitute for section eight-two of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes. It was in fact intended as a substitute for section eighty-one. Section eighty-two provides, that towns may agree with some person to fill the office of first constable, and will stand repealed if this bill should become a law. It is obvious, that no such purpose was intended, and that the mistake in naming the section to be amended was a mere inadvertence.

As this bill is beyond the reach of amendment, and as I am satisfied that, if approved, it would have an effect not intended by the Legislature, I respectfully return it to the House for their further consideration.

Governor's Veto Sustained
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The Governor's veto was sustained in the House:
Yeas 0 Nays 152

Sources: *Journal of the House*, November 5, 1869 (pages 139-140)