

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town, pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 30B, Section 12, will allow up to a five (5) year contract for the procurement of transportation and food service services for the Elementary School Department, or take any other action thereon.

Sponsored and Supported by the Elementary School Committee
Finance Committee recommends adoption of this article
Select Board recommends adoption of this article

MOTION: I move that the Town, pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 30B, Section 12, allow up to a five (5) year contract for the procurement of transportation and food service services for the Elementary School Department

COMMENTS: Massachusetts law typically limits municipalities to enter into contracts of no more than 3 years without specific Town Meeting approval. However, food service contracts at school cafeterias and school bussing contract have consistently been shown to be more effectively and affordably solicited with terms of five years. This article provides the schools with that specific authority for these two types of services.