

By Mr. Jordan of Revere, petition of Beeckman L. Fairbank that the Department of Public Utilities be given exclusive jurisdiction over common carriers for hire by water between the Logan International Airport or its environs and points within the Commonwealth. Aeronautics.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Seven.

AN ACT GIVING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES THE EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OVER ALL COMMON CARRIERS FOR HIRE BY WATER BETWEEN THE LOGAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT OR ITS ENVIRONS AND POINTS WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH.

1 *Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would
2 tend to defeat its purpose, which is to provide as soon
3 as possible for adequate and speedy transportation be-
4 tween the Logan International Airport and the city
5 of Boston proper, therefore it is hereby declared to be
6 an emergency law, necessary for the immediate pres-
7 ervation of the public convenience.

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. Section 12 of chapter 159 of the Gen-
2 eral Laws, as most recently amended by chapter 175
3 of the acts of 1945, is hereby further amended by in-
4 serting after paragraph (a) the following new para-
5 graph: —

6 (a $\frac{1}{2}$) the transportation or carriage as a common
7 carrier for hire of persons or property, or both, be-
8 tween the Logan International Airport, or any points
9 within five hundred yards thereof, and points within
10 the commonwealth, by vessels of any size.

1 SECTION 2. Section 1 of chapter 88 of the General
2 Laws, as appearing in the Tercentenary Edition, is
3 hereby amended by adding at the end of the first sen-
4 tence the following: — ; provided, that the require-
5 ment of a license under this chapter shall not apply
6 to the keeping or operation of vessels providing trans-
7 portation or carriage as a common carrier for hire of
8 persons or property, or both, between the Logan In-
9 ternational Airport, or any points within five hundred
10 yards thereof, and points within the commonwealth,
11 which are subject to the jurisdiction of the department
12 of public utilities under chapter one hundred and
13 fifty-nine, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 1.*
14 The county commissioners may license for such time
15 as they determine any suitable person to keep a ferry
16 for hire, and may revoke such license when necessary;
17 provided, that the requirement of a license under this
18 chapter shall not apply to the keeping or operation of
19 vessels providing transportation or carriage as a com-
20 mon carrier for hire of persons or property, or both,
21 between the Logan International Airport, or any
22 points within 500 yards thereof, and points within the
23 commonwealth, which are subject to the jurisdiction
24 of the department of public utilities under chapter one
25 hundred and fifty-nine. Each ferryman shall give to
26 the state treasurer a bond with sufficient sureties for
27 the faithful performance of his duty.