

HOUSE No. 599

By Mr. Cousens of Waltham, petition of the Massachusetts State Guard Veterans that veterans of said organization be permitted to petition cities and towns for headquarters for holding meetings of their units. Military Affairs and Public Safety.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT TO PERMIT THE MASSACHUSETTS STATE GUARD VETERANS TO PETITION CITIES AND TOWNS FOR A PLACE FOR THEIR UNITS TO MEET.

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 9 of chapter 40 of the General Laws, as
2 most recently amended by chapter 409 of the acts of
3 1946, is hereby further amended by inserting after
4 the word "specified" in the seventh line of the last
5 paragraph, as added by chapter 255 of the acts of
6 1937, the following words: — and for a meeting place
7 for units of the Massachusetts State Guard Veterans,
8 Inc. whose members served the commonwealth dur-
9 ing World War I and World War II, — so that the
10 last paragraph as amended will read as follows: —
11 A city or town may also, within the limitation appli-
12 cable to such city or town for such purpose, appro-
13 priate money for the purpose of providing suitable

14 headquarters for a post or posts of any incorporated
15 organization of veterans who served in the military
16 or naval service of the United States in time of war
17 or insurrection, in addition to those above specified,
18 and for a meeting place for units of the Massachu-
19 setts State Guard Veterans, Inc. whose members
20 served the commonwealth during World War I and
21 World War II, if a petition requesting such an appro-
22 priation for such an organization designated in the
23 petition, signed by not less than five per cent of the
24 voters of such city or town, is filed with the city or
25 town clerk thereof.