

# HOUSE . . . . No. 1808

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By Mr. Staves of Southbridge, petition of Rosario Normandin (town counsel) that the town of Southbridge be authorized to establish a board of commissioners for the management of the municipal airport and defining the powers and duties of said board. Aeronautics.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

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AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF SOUTHBRIDGE TO ESTABLISH A BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, AND DEFINING THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF SAID BOARD.

*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. There is hereby established in the  
2 town of Southbridge a board, consisting of five com-  
3 missioners, to have the custody, care and manage-  
4 ment of the airport owned by the town. The initial  
5 members of said board shall be appointed by the  
6 board of selectmen, one to serve for one year, one to  
7 serve for two years, one to serve for three years, one  
8 to serve for four years and one to serve for five years,  
9 from the date of their appointment, and thereafter,  
10 when the term of any member expires, his successor  
11 shall be appointed by the board of selectmen to serve  
12 for five years. In all cases, the members shall serve

13 until their successors are qualified. The members  
14 of the board shall, forthwith after each appointment,  
15 elect one of its members to act as chairman for the  
16 ensuing year. Any vacancy in said board may be  
17 filled by the board of selectmen, and the person ap-  
18 pointed shall perform the duties of the office during  
19 the balance of the unexpired term.

1 SECTION 2. The board may make rules and regula-  
2 tions for the use of the airport and may let or lease  
3 the same or any part thereof for a period not to  
4 exceed ten years, and, with the approval of the town,  
5 for such longer period not exceeding twenty years  
6 as the town may vote.

1 SECTION 3. The board shall appoint and fix the  
2 salaries of all the employees appointed or employed  
3 by it subject to the appropriations voted by the town.

1 SECTION 4. The members of the board shall receive  
2 no salary for their services.

1 SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon its  
2 acceptance by a majority of the voters of the town  
3 of Southbridge present and voting thereon at a town  
4 meeting called for the purpose within three years  
5 after its passage; but the number of meetings, so  
6 called, in any one year shall not exceed three.