

HOUSE No. 600

By Mr. Kaplan of Boston, petition of Charles Kaplan that cities and towns be authorized to appropriate money for providing financial assistance for posts of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States in defraying expenses incurred by them in conducting military funerals or burials of persons who died in overseas service during World War II. Military Affairs and Public Safety.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROVIDING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR POSTS OF THE JEWISH WAR VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES IN DEFRAYING EXPENSES INCURRED BY THEM IN CONDUCTING MILITARY FUNERALS OR BURIALS OF PERSONS WHO DIED IN OVERSEAS SERVICE DURING WORLD WAR II.

1 *Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would
2 tend to defeat its purpose which is to provide imme-
3 diate financial assistance for the Jewish War Veterans
4 of the United States in the proper interment in this
5 country of the bodies of persons who died while
6 serving overseas during World War II, therefore it is
7 hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary
8 for the immediate preservation of the public con-
9 venience.

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 of chapter 573 of the acts of 1946 is hereby
2 amended by inserting after the word "States", in

3 line 3, the words: — , the Jewish War Veterans of the
4 United States, — so that the first sentence will read
5 as follows:— Cities and towns may appropriate
6 money for the purpose of reimbursing a post or posts
7 of the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars
8 of the United States, the Jewish War Veterans of the
9 United States or the Disabled American Veterans of
10 the World War for expenses actually incurred by such
11 post or posts in connection with the military funeral
12 or burial of a person who died while serving overseas
13 in the military or naval service of the United States
14 in World War II, and who was domiciled in this
15 commonwealth at the time of entering such service.