

# SENATE . . . . No. 544

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To accompany the petition of Perley V. Draper and others that the Onset Library Association be authorized to convey and the Onset Fire District to receive and hold certain property in that part of Wareham called Onset. Towns.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

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AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE ONSET LIBRARY ASSOCIATION TO CONVEY AND THE ONSET FIRE DISTRICT TO RECEIVE AND HOLD CERTAIN PROPERTY IN THAT PART OF WAREHAM CALLED ONSET.

*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. The Onset Library Association, a  
2 corporation duly organized by law, is hereby au-  
3 thorized to sell and convey without consideration or  
4 for a nominal consideration, to Onset fire district the  
5 library building and two lots of land owned by said  
6 association and located on Onset avenue in that part  
7 of Wareham called Onset, and being lots numbered  
8 507 and 508 on a plan of land of the Onset Bay Grove  
9 Association filed with Plymouth county registry of  
10 deeds in Plan Book 1, Folio 58.

1 SECTION 2. Said district shall use and maintain  
2 said library building or any building replacing the  
3 same as a community center and as a free public

4 library. Said district may remodel said building or  
5 construct a new building to be used for said purposes.  
6 Said district may purchase books, furniture and  
7 furnishings for said center and library. For said  
8 purposes, the district may make contracts and appro-  
9 priate such sums as may be necessary.

1 SECTION 3. Said district may borrow from time  
2 to time within a period of five years after the passage  
3 of this act such sums as may be necessary, not ex-  
4 ceeding, in the aggregate, fifty thousand dollars,  
5 and may issue bonds or notes therefor, which shall  
6 bear on their face the words "Onset Fire District  
7 Loan, Act of 1948". Said bonds and notes shall be  
8 signed by the treasurer of the district and counter-  
9 signed by the Prudential Committee. Each authorized  
10 issue shall constitute a separate loan, and such loans  
11 shall be payable in not more than ten years from their  
12 dates.

1 SECTION 4. The district shall elect by ballot at a  
2 meeting a board of library trustees consisting of three  
3 persons, one of whom shall be elected for one year, one  
4 for two years, and one for three years, and thereafter  
5 one shall be elected annually for a term of three  
6 years. The board shall, from its own members,  
7 annually choose a chairman, a secretary, and, if the  
8 district so votes, a treasurer who shall give a bond  
9 similar to that given by the district treasurer, in an  
10 amount and with sureties to the satisfaction of the  
11 prudential committee. Said board shall have the  
12 same powers and duties as boards of library trustees  
13 as provided in chapter seventy-eight of the General  
14 Laws.