

# HOUSE . . . . No. 752

By Mr. Whitmore of Newton, petition of Lorenz F. Muther, Jr., that cities and towns having parking meters be authorized to apply receipts therefrom to the acquisition and maintenance of off-street parking areas. Municipal Finance.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT AUTHORIZING CITIES AND TOWNS HAVING PARKING METERS TO APPLY THE RECEIPTS FROM SAID METERS TO THE ACQUISITION AND MAINTENANCE OF OFF-STREET PARKING AREAS AND FACILITIES TO FURTHER THE PURPOSE OF SAID METERS IN THE RELIEF OF TRAFFIC CONDITIONS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter 40 of the General Laws, as amended by  
2 chapter 442 of the acts of 1947, is hereby amended  
3 by adding after section 22A the following section:—  
4 *Section 22B.* Any city or town having installed  
5 parking meters may acquire off-street parking areas  
6 and facilities by purchase, gift, eminent domain  
7 proceedings under chapter seventy-nine or chapter  
8 eighty A of the General Laws, by lease not to exceed  
9 five years, or otherwise, and may pay for such ac-  
10 quisition or lease, including the cost of policing,

11 constructing or reconstructing, surfacing, operating  
12 and maintaining such areas and facilities, in whole  
13 or in part from any receipts from said parking meters;  
14 provided that the off-street parking areas and facilities  
15 are located not more than two hundred feet from a  
16 building in which the principal activity is business,  
17 commercial, manufacturing or industrial in character  
18 and which building is in a business, commercial,  
19 manufacturing or industrial zone but is not more  
20 than fifty feet from the nearest parking meter of any  
21 group of not less than thirty parking meters approved  
22 by the Department of Public Works.