

# SENATE . . . . No. 720

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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SENATE, May 19, 1955.

The committee on Taxation, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 530) of Charles W. Olson and William I. Randall for legislation to reimburse the town of Ashland for the loss of taxes on certain land therein owned by the Commonwealth and held for recreational purposes, report the accompanying bill (Senate, No. 720).

For the committee,

EDWARD C. STONE.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-Five.

AN ACT REIMBURSING THE TOWNS OF ASHLAND, FRAMINGHAM, HOPKINTON, NATICK AND WAYLAND FOR THE LOSS OF TAXES ON CERTAIN LAND THEREIN OWNED BY THE COMMONWEALTH AND HELD FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES.

*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. Notwithstanding any provision of special  
2 law in force on the effective date of this act, and under  
3 which payment is made by or on behalf of the common-  
4 wealth to any political subdivision thereof in lieu of  
5 taxes, or otherwise, upon or in relation to property in  
6 such political subdivision occupied or under the control  
7 of the department of natural resources and used for  
8 recreational or conservation purposes, the treasurer of  
9 the commonwealth shall annually, not later than No-  
10 vember twentieth, reimburse the towns of Ashland,  
11 Framingham, Hopkinton, Natick and Wayland for the  
12 loss of taxes on such land as was transferred to the de-  
13 partment of conservation for public recreational pur-  
14 poses under the provisions of chapter five hundred and  
15 fifty-seven of the acts of nineteen hundred and forty-  
16 seven, an amount in lieu of taxes upon the value of said  
17 land, as determined under the provisions of sections  
18 thirteen to seventeen, inclusive, of chapter fifty-eight of  
19 the General Laws; and shall also reimburse said towns  
20 for the loss of taxes on said land for the years nineteen  
21 hundred and fifty to nineteen hundred and fifty-five, in-  
22 clusive, in the amounts set forth in the following sched-  
23 ule:—

	1950.	1951.	1952.	1953.	1954.	1955.	Total.
Ashland . . . .	\$2,199 17	\$2,333 13	\$2,402 85	\$2,964 70	\$3,049 36	\$3,138 16	\$16,087 37
Framingham . . .	2,119 68	2,248 80	2,316 00	2,420 16	2,489 28	2,561 76	14,155 68
Hopkinton . . . .	1,201 15	1,274 32	1,312 40	1,371 42	1,410 59	1,451 66	8,021 54
Natick . . . . .	2,684 92	2,848 48	2,933 60	3,065 54	3,153 09	3,244 90	17,930 53
Wayland . . . . .	163 39	173 35	178 53	186 55	191 88	197 47	1,091 17
	\$8,368 31	\$8,878 08	\$9,143 38	\$10,008 37	\$10,294 20	\$10,593 95	\$57,286 29

1 SECTION 2. Nothing in section one shall be deemed  
2 to authorize or require double payment by the common-  
3 wealth on account of the use or occupancy of said land  
4 in the towns of Ashland, Framingham, Hopkinton,  
5 Natick and Wayland. The reimbursements authorized  
6 in section one shall be paid from the General Fund.

1 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

