

SENATE No. 562

To accompany the petition of John B. Hynes, mayor, for legislation to enable the city of Boston to construct a new city hall and to construct and sell to the United States a federal office building. Cities.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT ENABLING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO CONSTRUCT A NEW CITY HALL AND TO CONSTRUCT AND SELL TO THE UNITED STATES A FEDERAL OFFICE BUILDING.

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 city of Boston is hereby authorized to
2 acquire a suitable site for a new city hall for said city and also a
3 suitable site for an office building for activities of the federal
4 government in the area, and to construct on such respective
5 sites such city hall and such federal office building, and to con-
6 tract for the acquisition of such federal office building and its
7 site by the United States under federal Public Buildings Pur-
8 chase Contract Act of 1954.

1 SECTION 2. Such federal office building and its site, so long
2 as title thereto is vested in said city, shall be taxable to said
3 city under chapter fifty-nine of the General Laws in the same
4 manner and to the same extent as if such building and site were
5 privately owned.

1 SECTION 3. For the purposes of this act, said city may bor-
2 row from time to time not exceeding, in the aggregate, fifty
3 million dollars, and may issue and sell at public sale bonds or

4 notes of said city therefor, which shall bear on their face the
5 words:— City of Boston, Government Center Loan, Act of
6 1958. Each issue shall constitute a separate loan, and shall be
7 payable in such annual instalments as will coincide with pay-
8 ments by the United States under its contract for acquisition of
9 said federal office building with its site and will extinguish such
10 loan not later than thirty years from the date of the bonds or
11 notes issued therefor. Debt incurred under this section shall
12 not be included in determining the limit of indebtedness of said
13 city as established by law, but except as herein otherwise pro-
14 vided, shall be subject to the provisions, applicable to said city,
15 of chapter forty-four of the General Laws, exclusive of the
16 limitation contained in the first paragraph of section seven
17 thereof.