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By Mr. Means of Essex (by request), petition of the Massachusetts Farm Bureau Federation that provision be made for state reimbursement for damage to property done by state wards. Public Welfare.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

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AN ACT TO PROVIDE REIMBURSEMENT BY THE COMMONWEALTH FOR DAMAGE TO PROPERTY DONE BY STATE WARDS.

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

1   Whoever, having become a ward of the common-  
2   wealth, shall cause damage to property, whether while  
3   under control of the commonwealth or while having  
4   escaped from an institution, shall be held to have  
5   acted as a state ward, and the commonwealth shall be  
6   liable for reimbursement of damages.

