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By Mr. Christopher A. Iannella of Boston, petition of Timothy J. McInerney that the Metropolitan Transit Authority be authorized to construct at grade level an addition to its Everett to Forest Hills rapid transit system to connect with the Washington Street tunnel. Metropolitan Affairs.

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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 PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AT GRADE LEVEL OF AN ADDITION TO THE WASHINGTON STREET TUNNEL AND RAPID TRANSIT FACILITIES BETWEEN THE SOUTHERN TERMINUS OF SAID TUNNEL AND FOREST HILLS.

*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. Section 1 of chapter 649 of the acts of  
2 1949 is hereby further amended by striking out  
3 section 3, as amended by section 1 of chapter 747  
4 of the acts of 1949, and inserting in place thereof  
5 the following section:—

6 *Section 3.* The authority shall construct and  
7 equip at grade level an addition to its existing Everett  
8 to Forest Hills rapid transit system, said addition to  
9 begin and connect with the southern terminus of the  
10 existing Washington street tunnel and thence run  
11 through public and private lands following or parallel-

12 ing, where convenient, the railroad right of way of the  
13 Boston and Providence Railroad Corporation and the  
14 railroad right of way of the New York, New Haven  
15 and Hartford Railroad to a point at or near the  
16 existing Forest Hills station, with new stations as  
17 conveniently near the stations of the existing system  
18 as possible and with overpasses or underpasses at all  
19 public or private intersecting ways.

20 After the use by the authority of the grade level  
21 addition constructed under this section begins, the  
22 authority shall proceed without delay to remove its  
23 elevated structure located on public or private lands  
24 or ways in the city of Boston between the southern  
25 terminus of the Washington street tunnel and the  
26 existing Forest Hills station, to put the surface of the  
27 public ways disturbed by such removal into as good  
28 condition as the adjacent surface of said ways, to  
29 restore to good condition sidewalks affected by such  
30 removal and to repair any damage done by such  
31 removal to any building to which said elevated struc-  
32 ture is affixed. The cost to the authority of removing  
33 such elevated structure and of restoring public ways,  
34 sidewalks and buildings as aforesaid, less the amount  
35 received by the authority from the sale of the struc-  
36 ture as salvage or otherwise, shall be included in the  
37 cost of the work authorized by this section.

38 The authority may expend for the purposes of this  
39 section not exceeding thirty-six million dollars.  
40 No construction shall be done under this section until  
41 a plan therefor, together with estimates of cost  
42 indicating that the project can be completed at a  
43 cost not exceeding thirty-six million dollars, shall  
44 have been approved by the commissioner of the  
45 department of public utilities. Any plan so approved

46 under this section may be altered at any time by  
47 a new plan approved in like manner.

1 SECTION 2. Section three A of said chapter six  
2 hundred and forty-nine, as amended by section one of  
3 chapter six hundred and fifty-four of the acts of  
4 nineteen hundred and fifty, is hereby repealed.

