

HOUSE No. 76

Accompanying the sixth recommendation of the Commissioner of Public Health (House, No. 70). Public Health. Dec. 2, 1926.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-Seven.

An Act to provide for the Purchase of Radium by the Commonwealth to alleviate Distress caused by Cancer.

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 department of public health is
2 authorized to purchase radium for the benefit of
3 persons within the commonwealth afflicted with
4 cancer. This radium, or the radio-active substances
5 derived therefrom, are to be used at the Norfolk
6 state hospital and elsewhere as the department of
7 public health may designate under such rules and
8 regulations as it may promulgate. The department
9 of public health may entrust the radium to the
10 institution or institutions that are in its judgment
11 best equipped for the proper care and handling of
12 the same. For the purchase of said radium the sum
13 of one hundred and twenty thousand dollars is
14 appropriated.

1 SECTION 2. Each year for a period of not less
2 than ten years there shall be an appropriation made

3 of not less than ten thousand dollars in order to
4 provide for the care of the radium and the extrac-
5 tion, purification and distribution of the radio-
6 active substances in such forms as may seem most
7 advantageous to the department of public health
8 in order to guarantee the continuation of service.

