

# HOUSE . . . . No. 1177

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 3, 1928.

The joint committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 250) of George I. Adams, for the selectmen, relative to the basis of payments in lieu of taxes on property held by the Commonwealth outside the limits of the Wachusett Reservoir in the town of Boylston for purposes of the metropolitan water supply, report the accompanying bill (House, No. 1177).

For the committee,

GEO. E. BRIGGS.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act to change the Basis of Payments in Lieu of Taxes on Property Held by the Commonwealth Outside the Limits of the Wachusett Reservoir in the Town of Boylston for Purposes of the Metropolitan Water Supply.

*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. Land held by the commonwealth out-  
2 side the limits of the Wachusett reservoir in the town  
3 of Boylston for the purposes of the metropolitan water  
4 supply, if yielding no rent, shall not be liable to taxa-  
5 tion therein, but the commonwealth shall annually in  
6 September pay, as a part of the cost of maintenance  
7 of the metropolitan water system, to said town an  
8 amount equal to that which the town would receive  
9 for taxes upon the average of the assessed value of such  
10 land, without buildings or other structures, for the  
11 three years last preceding the acquisition thereof, the  
12 valuation for each year being reduced by all abate-  
13 ments thereon; but any part of such property from  
14 which any revenue in the nature of rent is received  
15 shall be subject to taxation; and the provisions of  
16 sections six and seven of chapter fifty-nine of the  
17 General Laws shall apply to the reimbursement of  
18 said town by the commonwealth on account of said  
19 property.

1 SECTION 2. The provisions of section one of chap-  
2 ter four hundred and sixty-seven of the acts of eight-  
3 teen hundred and ninety-seven, relative to compensa-  
4 tion of the town of Boylston for loss of taxes on all  
5 real estate taken or acquired by the commonwealth  
6 outside of the limits of the Wachusett reservoir, so  
7 far as the same relate to said town, are hereby re-  
8 pealed.

