

SENATE No. 249

To accompany the petition of Henry L. Kincaide and others that provision be made for the construction of a new bridge over Weymouth Fore River, commonly called "Fore River Bridge." Highways and Motor Vehicles.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act providing for the Construction of a New Bridge over Weymouth Fore River, commonly called Fore River Bridge.

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 works,
2 hereinafter called the department, is hereby au-
3 thorized and directed to remove the bridge over
4 Weymouth Fore river, commonly called Fore River
5 bridge, and to construct a new bridge with a draw
6 and with suitable approaches at or near its present
7 site. The department may provide a temporary
8 bridge to be used by vehicles, street railway cars
9 and pedestrians during construction, and shall
10 take by eminent domain under chapter seventy-
11 nine of the General Laws such lands for the ap-
12 proaches to the bridge as it shall deem necessary
13 for carrying out the provisions of this act and
14 shall cause all lands so taken to be properly filled

15 and graded. Such work and the plans therefor
16 shall be subject to the provisions of chapter ninety-
17 one of the General Laws and of the laws of the
18 United States, and to the approval of the proper
19 officers of the government of the United States.

1 SECTION 2. The cost of the laying out and con-
2 structing of said approaches, the cost of construc-
3 tion of the abutments and other parts of said
4 bridge, the cost of the temporary bridge and all
5 other expenses incurred in carrying out the pro-
6 visions of this act, including interest on temporary
7 loans, shall be deemed the cost of construction of
8 the bridge, and such cost shall not exceed
9 dollars and shall
10 be paid in the first instance by the common-
11 wealth. Twenty-five per cent of the cost of the
12 construction of the bridge shall ultimately be paid
13 by the metropolitan parks district out of appro-
14 priations from the highway fund and twenty-five
15 per cent by the commonwealth by appropriation
16 from the general revenue. The remaining cost of
17 construction of said bridge shall be paid in the same
18 ratio as was borne by the city of Quincy, the towns
19 of Weymouth, Hingham, Cohasset, Scituate, Hull
20 and Marshfield, and the county of Norfolk, and
21 the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway com-
22 pany in the construction of the present bridge.
23 After such bridge is completed it shall be main-
24 tained by the trustees having charge of the pres-
25 ent bridge and payment therefor shall be as fol-
26 lows: twenty-five per cent by the commonwealth,
27 twenty-five per cent by the metropolitan parks
28 district and the remaining fifty per cent shall be

29 paid by the other above-named municipalities and
30 corporations in the same proportions as they pay
31 for the original construction of said bridge.

1 SECTION 3. The state treasurer shall, upon re-
2 quest of the commission, and subject to the ap-
3 proval of the governor and council, issue and sell
4 at public or private sale temporary notes of the
5 commonwealth to an amount to be specified from
6 time to time by the department, sufficient to pro-
7 vide means for the payments of the cost of con-
8 struction of the bridge herein authorized. All of
9 such temporary notes shall be issued and may be
10 renewed, for such maximum term of years as the
11 governor may recommend to the general court in
12 accordance with section three of article LXII of
13 the amendments to the constitution of the com-
14 monwealth and shall bear interest payable semi-
15 annually, at such rate as shall be fixed by the state
16 treasurer, with the approval of the governor and
17 council.

