

HOUSE No. 1402

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 4, 1933.

The joint committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 196) of Harold E. Cole that the Department of Agriculture be authorized to distribute fertilizer, plants and seeds to needy persons and to municipal unemployment commissions, report the accompanying bill (House, No. 1402).

For the committee,

CHRISTIAN A. HERTER.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act authorizing Local Boards of Public Welfare to aid Needy Persons in the Cultivation of Vegetable Gardens.

1 *Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would
2 tend to defeat its purpose, therefore it is hereby de-
3 clared to be an emergency law, necessary for the im-
4 mediate preservation of the public convenience.

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

1 Chapter one hundred and seventeen of the General
2 Laws, as appearing in the Tercentenary edition
3 thereof, is hereby amended by inserting after section
4 two the following new section:—

5 *Section 2A.* The board of public welfare may, sub-
6 ject to such conditions and terms as it may prescribe,
7 furnish all such poor and indigent persons with seeds,
8 plants, fertilizer and tools to cultivate vegetable
9 gardens of their own.