

HOUSE No. 1054

By Mr. Nelson of Boston, petition of the Real Estate Owners' and Tenants' League for legislation to authorize payment by the Commonwealth to the municipalities of a portion of the proceeds of the tax on gasoline and other motor vehicle fuels. Ways and Means (Joint).

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act providing for the Payment by the Commonwealth to its Municipalities of a Portion of the Proceeds of the Gasoline Tax.

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
4 immediate 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 There shall be paid, without appropriation, from
2 the Highway Fund on July fifteenth in the current
3 year to the cities and towns of the commonwealth
4 the sum of eight million four hundred thousand dol-
5 lars, the same to be apportioned among said cities
6 and towns in proportion to the amounts for which
7 they will be respectively assessed for the state tax
8 of the current year. The amount of any sum pay-

9 able to a city or town hereunder shall be considered
 10 as an estimated receipt in the current year and shall
 11 be used, so far as necessary, to meet appropriations
 12 made after July fifteenth in said year for highway
 13 purposes, including construction, repair, maintenance,
 14 snow removal, traffic lights and policing.