

# HOUSE . . . . No. 1616

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By Mr. Akeroyd of Lanesborough (by request), petition of Joseph A. Conway that the Department of Public Works be authorized to construct a state highway in the town of Hull and acquire the road bed of the Nantasket Beach branch of the Old Colony Railroad for that purpose. Highways and Motor Vehicles.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act providing for the Construction by the Commonwealth of a State Highway in the Town of Hull and for the Acquisition of the Road Bed of the Old Colony Railroad for the Purpose of this Highway.

*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 public works department is  
2 hereby authorized and directed to secure from the  
3 Old Colony railroad, or its trustees in bankruptcy,  
4 all of their rights in the right-of-way of the Nan-  
5 tasket Beach line from a point in Nantasket in the  
6 town of Hull to a point in Pemberton, in said town,  
7 providing that the said railroad will convey same at  
8 a price not greater than one hundred thousand dollars.

1 SECTION 2. Whereas, the town of Hull has been  
2 served for many years by a branch of the Old Colony  
3 railroad, and whereas, it is necessary for the people

4 who are in the town during the summer to have such  
5 service, from Pemberton to Nantasket, as well as  
6 the citizens of said town, and whereas, said commu-  
7 nity offers a great recreational center to all citizens  
8 of the commonwealth, and whereas, during the last  
9 few years the railroad has found it necessary to use  
10 buses to provide such railroad service, and whereas,  
11 the present highways in the town are inadequate to  
12 take on this added burden of highway and rail serv-  
13 ice, be it provided by this act that, in the event the  
14 provisions of section one are complied with this taking  
15 shall be primarily for railroad purposes and no rules  
16 and regulations shall ever be put in effect preventing  
17 the use of this road bed for buses for the transporta-  
18 tion of the public and all rights of way shall continue  
19 to be for railroad purposes.

1 SECTION 3. Subject to the provisions of section  
2 one, the public works department is authorized and  
3 directed to construct a state highway from a suitable  
4 point at Nantasket along the right of way of the  
5 railroad to a point in Pemberton, all in the town of  
6 Hull.

1 SECTION 4. The sum of four hundred thousand  
2 dollars is hereby appropriated for the purposes of this  
3 act.