

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 3256

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, June 27, 1957.

The committee on State Administration, to whom was referred the special report of the Commissioner of Administration (under authority of section 7 of chapter 7 of the General Laws, as amended by chapter 610 of the Acts of 1948) recommending legislation to provide for the construction of a state office building in the vicinity of the State House (House, No. 3168), report the accompanying bill (House, No. 3256).

For the committee,

JAMES J. CRAVEN, JR.

Senators GRAHAM and CUTLER dissenting.

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

### AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A STATE OFFICE BUILDING.

*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 commissioner of administration, with the  
2 approval of the governor and council, is hereby authorized  
3 on and in behalf of the commonwealth to enter into a con-  
4 tract for the construction of a state office building contain-  
5 ing approximately five hundred thousand square feet to pro-  
6 vide additional accommodations for the housing of state  
7 agencies and departments, and also provide necessary garage  
8 space in said building, with entrances and exits, for the  
9 garaging of at least seven hundred motor vehicles. The afore-  
10 said contract shall further provide that upon the completion  
11 of the building, title to the building shall be conveyed to the  
12 commonwealth, and payment therefor shall be provided in  
13 the aforesaid contract over a period of not more than twenty-  
14 seven years in periodical payments, and shall be in lieu of any  
15 rental payment for use and occupancy of the building. The  
16 aforesaid payments shall be in such amount as not to exceed  
17 the rate of three dollars per square foot. Said building shall  
18 be constructed in the immediate vicinity of the state house on  
19 land that the said commissioner, with the approval of the  
20 governor and council, is hereby authorized to take by eminent  
21 domain under the provisions of chapter seventy-nine of the  
22 General Laws. Said land and building shall be exempt from  
23 taxation and from betterments and special assessments; pro-  
24 vided, that in lieu of such taxes, betterments and special as-  
25 sessments, the commonwealth shall pay annually a sum to  
26 be determined by agreement between the said commissioner

27 and the mayor of said city, such sum to be in any year not in  
28 excess of the amount that would be levied at the current tax  
29 rate upon the average of the assessed value of such real estate,  
30 including buildings and other structures.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

