

By Mr. Dolan of Ipswich, Mrs. Corliss of Gloucester and Mr. White of Groveland, petition of Leslie Thurlow and others for payment by the Commonwealth to the towns of Newbury, West Newbury, Georgetown and Groveland certain amount of money for loss of taxes on certain land used by the Division of Fisheries and Game. Taxation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN AMOUNTS OF MONEY BY THE COMMONWEALTH TO THE TOWNS OF NEWBURY, WEST NEWBURY, GEORGETOWN AND GROVELAND FOR LOSS OF TAXES ON CERTAIN LAND USED BY THE DIVISION OF FISHERIES AND GAME.

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. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or
2 special law to the contrary, the state tax commission shall, in the
3 current year, and every fifth year thereafter, determine as of
4 January first the fair cash value of all lands owned by the
5 commonwealth located in the towns of Newbury, West New-
6 bury, Georgetown and Groveland, and which are under the care
7 and control of the division of fisheries and game, and used as a
8 game preserve or wild life sanctuary. No later than November
9 first in the current year and not later than August first in the
10 year nineteen hundred and sixty-three and thereafter, the com-
11 missioner shall deliver to the state treasurer a statement as to
12 the values so determined. No later than November twentieth
13 in the current year and each year thereafter the state treasurer
14 shall pay to said towns an amount equal to the sum each respec-
15 tive town would have received in real estate taxes, had said
16 land been subject to such a tax.

1 SECTION 2. Notice of such determination, the rights of the
 2 boards of assessors, annual statements to the state treasurer,
 3 and payments by the treasurer shall be made and regulated in
 4 the same manner as the procedure provided for in sections four-
 5 teen, sixteen and seventeen of chapter fifty-eight of the General
 6 Laws.