

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 2620

By Mr. Toomey of Cambridge, petition of John Jennings Crapo relative to requiring the approval of the voters before the construction of highways and mass transit facilities in a city or town. Transportation.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

### AN ACT REQUIRING THE APPROVAL OF THE VOTERS BEFORE THE CONSTRUCTION OF HIGHWAYS AND MASS TRANSIT FACILITIES IN A CITY OR TOWN.

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

1 The Executive Office of Transportation and Construction of  
2 the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the Board of Direc-  
3 tors of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority of the  
4 Commonwealth of Massachusetts are hereby prohibited from  
5 placing any highway, subway line, or so-called rapid transit line  
6 through a community, municipality or town of the Common-  
7 wealth of Massachusetts or erecting any terminals for busses or  
8 any other vehicles without first receiving the approval in ad-  
9 vance of the voters of the municipality, town, or locality  
10 through a referendun on the ballot of any regularly scheduled  
11 state or town, or municipal election where such action may be  
12 contemplated.

