

AN ACT RELATING TO THE POWER OF COUNTIES, CITIES, TOWNS AND DISTRICTS TO ACCEPT AND REPAY FEDERAL ADVANCES FOR PLANNING OR OTHER PURPOSES.

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2893**

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 15, 1960.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom was referred the Bill clarifying the power of counties, cities, towns and districts to accept and repay federal advances for planning or other purposes (House, No. 1035), report recommending that the same be amended by the substitution of the accompanying bill (House, No. 2893).

For the committee,

JAMES R. LAWTON.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty.

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AN ACT CLARIFYING THE POWER OF COUNTIES, CITIES, TOWNS AND DISTRICTS TO ACCEPT AND REPAY FEDERAL ADVANCES FOR PLANNING OR OTHER PURPOSES.

1 *Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to  
2 defeat its purpose, which is immediately to make clearly avail-  
3 able to counties, cities, towns and districts the benefits of federal  
4 advances for planning or other purposes, therefore it is hereby  
5 declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate  
6 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 SECTION 1. The first paragraph of section 2 of chapter 74 of  
2 the acts of 1945 is hereby amended by adding at the end the  
3 following two sentences: — Any such county, city, town or dis-  
4 trict may accept advances of federal funds for surveys or plan  
5 preparation for any useful public works project on such terms as  
6 may be prescribed under applicable federal laws and regulations  
7 and without being required to obtain the approval of the board  
8 and the governor. Such advances may be repaid from any funds  
9 including bond proceeds which are available for such a project  
10 or for such surveys or plan preparation.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage, and  
2 all actions taken prior to its passage in accordance with its terms  
3 are hereby validated as if this act were in effect at the time such  
4 actions were taken.