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SENATE No. 1895

By Mr. Aylmer, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1895) of John F. Aylmer and Jeremiah F. Cahir for legislation to require a viewing of certain property before a decision of the board of appeals. Local Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty.

**AN ACT REQUIRING A VIEWING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY BEFORE A
DECISION OF BOARDS OF APPEALS.**

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 10 of chapter 40A of the General Laws, as appear-
2 ing in chapter 808 of the Acts of 1975 is hereby amended by
3 inserting in line 17 after the word "by-law" and before the
4 word "Except" the following sentence: —

5 Provided, however, that any city or town may by ordinance
6 or by-law provide, that no decision shall be made by the
7 board of appeals of such city or town upon a petition for a
8 variance until a majority of the members of said board have
9 conducted a viewing of the property for which such variance
10 is petitioned and signed a statement that such viewing has
11 been made.

