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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-Eight.

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### AN ACT AUTHORIZING A GEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

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

1 Chapter two hundred and fifteen of the acts of  
2 nineteen hundred and thirty-three is hereby amended  
3 by striking out the word "map" in the fifth line and  
4 inserting in place thereof the words:— a geological  
5 survey and map to determine and locate the natural  
6 resources, — and said chapter is further amended by  
7 striking out the word "fifty" at the beginning of the  
8 twenty-second line and inserting in place thereof the  
9 word: — sixty, — so that the act shall read as  
10 follows: —

11 CHAPTER 215.

12 The department of public works is hereby author-  
13 ized to confer from time to time with the director or  
14 a representative of the United States geological sur-  
15 vey and to cooperate with said survey in the prepa-  
16 ration of a contour topographical survey and of a

17 geological survey and map to determine and locate  
18 the natural resources of this commonwealth. Said  
19 department may arrange with said director or repre-  
20 sentative concerning all details of the work to be car-  
21 ried out on the part of the commonwealth. Said  
22 department is hereby authorized to receive contri-  
23 butions from individuals, associations, corporations  
24 or others, toward meeting the commonwealth's por-  
25 tion of the cost of the work herein provided for.  
26 Said contributions shall be deposited with the state  
27 treasurer and shall be available for meeting said por-  
28 tion of the cost of the work, without appropriation  
29 by the general court. Subject in any fiscal year here-  
30 after to appropriation, said department may expend  
31 to meet said portion of the cost of the work such  
32 sums in addition to available proceeds of such con-  
33 tributions, as will make the total expenditure of the  
34 commonwealth equal to the amount expended for  
35 said work by the United States of America, but in  
36 no event shall the total expenditure of the common-  
37 wealth, including contributions as aforesaid, exceed  
38 sixty thousand dollars in any one year. Expendi-  
39 tures incurred in the current fiscal year by said de-  
40 partment under authority hereof, except in so far  
41 as paid from the proceeds of such contributions, shall  
42 be paid from item numbered                    of the general  
43 appropriation act of the current year.