

HOUSE No. 1361.

[Mr. Logan of Boston gives notice that he will move to amend by the substitution of this bill for the report of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw.]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Two.

AN ACT

Relative to the Powers of Boards of Health of Cities
and Towns.

*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. Section fourteen of chapter twenty-
2 five of the Revised Laws is hereby amended by
3 inserting after the word "thereof," in line five, the
4 following: — ; but this provision shall not be con-
5 strued as affecting the powers of the boards of
6 health of cities and towns as set forth in chapter
7 seventy-five of the Revised Laws, — so as to
8 read as follows: —

9 Section 14. A town may make contracts for
10 the exercise of its corporate powers and for the
11 following purposes: For the disposal of its

12 garbage, refuse and offal by contract for a term
13 of years made by the selectmen, board of health
14 or other officers having charge thereof; but this
15 provision shall not be construed as affecting the
16 powers of the boards of health of cities and towns
17 as set forth in chapter seventy-five of the Revised
18 Laws.

19 For the reception, care and treatment, by hos-
20 pitals established in a town, or in the vicinity
21 thereof, which maintains and manages no hospital,
22 of persons who by misfortune or poverty require
23 relief during temporary illness; but this provision
24 shall not add to the compensation now required
25 of the Commonwealth or from any city or town
26 for the care and treatment of any person charge-
27 able to them respectively as a pauper, or diminish
28 the right of the Commonwealth to require the
29 removal to the state almshouse of a pauper de-
30 pendent on it.

31 To pay interest at a rate not exceeding four
32 per cent. per annum during the lives of any
33 persons in being at the time of entering into such
34 contract, upon any cash gift it may lawfully re-
35 ceive.

36 To contribute to the cost of building, by any
37 other city or town situated in the water-shed of
38 its water supply, a sewer or system of sewers to
39 aid in protecting such water supply from pullu-
40 tion.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon
2 its passage.