

HOUSE No. 785

Bill accompanying the petition of George A. Lancaster for legislation to establish a board of commissioners to investigate the entire transit systems of the metropolitan district. Metropolitan Affairs. January 23.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seven.

AN ACT

To establish a Metropolitan Transit Commission.

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 governor, with the advice and consent
2 of the executive council, shall, within sixty days from the
3 passage of this act, appoint three wise and discreet per-
4 sons, citizens of this Commonwealth, and residing within
5 the metropolitan district, so called; said appointees to be
6 known as the board of metropolitan transit commissioners;
7 said commissioners, respectively, to serve for the term of
8 one year from the date of their qualifying. Said commis-
9 sioners shall receive such compensation as the governor
10 and council may approve.

1 SECTION 2. The duties of said commission shall be to
2 investigate the entire transit system of Boston, and the
3 metropolitan district, — steam, electric, passenger and
4 freight, by surface, subway, elevated and tunnel methods;
5 they shall have full power to employ civil engineers and
6 all other assistants or other things, to enable them to
7 formulate a comprehensive scheme of improved means of
8 transit in and from Boston to the outlying sections of said
9 metropolitan district, and report their findings to the leg-
10 islature in January of the year nineteen hundred and
11 eight.

1 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.