

HOUSE No. 167

By Mr. Rosenfeld of Milford, petition of Nathan Rosenfeld relative to recipients of old age assistance with respect to the amount of equity owned in certain real estate by such recipients. Pensions.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO RECIPIENTS OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE
WITH RESPECT TO THE AMOUNT OF EQUITY OWNED IN
CERTAIN REAL ESTATE BY SUCH RECIPIENTS.

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 one hundred and seventeen of the General
2 Laws is hereby amended by striking out section five,
3 as most recently amended by chapter one hundred
4 and twenty-five of the acts of nineteen hundred and
5 thirty-seven, and inserting in place thereof the fol-
6 lowing:—

7 *Section 5.* A person, his executor or administrator,
8 shall be liable in contract to any town for expenses
9 incurred by it for his support; provided, that no
10 action shall be brought by a town for old age assist-
11 ance under chapter one hundred and eighteen A fur-
12 nished to any person who, during the time he was the
13 recipient of such assistance, was the owner of an

14 equity in real estate in a sum not exceeding three
15 thousand dollars, the title to which real estate was
16 recorded in the name of such person and upon which
17 he actually resided, but this shall not preclude recov-
18 ery by a town if such person has other assets or prop-
19 erty which can be reached and applied toward pay-
20 ment of assistance so furnished him.