

By Mr. Healy of Charlemont, petition of Jonathan L. Healy that provision be made for a certain appropriation for rental of court facilities. Ways and Means (House).

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE RENTAL OF COURT FACILITIES.

*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 2 of chapter 206 of the acts of 1986 is hereby amended
- 2 by striking out item 0330-2200 and inserting in place thereof the
- 3 following item: —

0330-2200 For the rental of court facilities in accordance with section four of chapter twenty-nine A of the General Laws; provided, that all payments made hereunder shall be pursuant to written leases; provided that said written leases may be of the so called "self renewing" variety. That is, written leases which will continue in full force and effect unless notice of intent to terminate is given by either the lessee or lessor within a specified period of time prior to the expiration dates; provided further, that the total annual amount owed to a city, town or county for such rental shall not be finally determined until a schedule detailing the costs of such maintenance, repairs and debt service on the rented facilities, have been submitted to and approved by the Chief Administrative Justice of the trial court and filed with the House and Senate committee on Ways and Means; provided further that pending receipt of the said schedule detailing the costs of such maintenance, repair and debt service timely quarterly payments shall be made to cities, towns or counties for such rentals based upon the preceding fiscal years schedule of payments; provided further that said payments to such cities, towns or counties shall be adjusted upon receipt of the current years schedule detailing the actual costs of such maintenance, repairs and debt service on the rented facilities, attested to by the appropriate public official, have been submitted to and approved by the Chief Administrative Justice of the Trial

Court and filed with the House and Senate committees on Ways and Means: provided further, that every city, town or county which receives funds under this item shall maintain such funds in a separate account which shall be used solely for the maintenance of the rented facilities; provided further, that all rents paid to the counties shall be expended for courthouse maintenance costs in each county; and provided further, that each county advisory board, upon receipt of the proposed budget by the county commissioners, shall have final approval of expenditure of funds received by a county for court rental under this item, prior appropriation continued. ....

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