

HOUSE No. 5399

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, June 18, 1969.

The committee on Counties on the part of the House, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1580) of William F. Stapleton, John P. O'Brien and others that the county commissioners of Hampden County be authorized to construct new buildings and facilities for the courts of said county and providing for the renovation of the existing Superior Court building; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1581) of William F. Stapleton, John P. O'Brien and others that the county commissioners of Hampden County be authorized to borrow money for the acquisition of land in the city of Springfield for the construction of a new court house building and facilities; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1871) of James D. Sloan and Arthur J. McKenna that the county commissioners of Hampden County be authorized to construct a new building for the courts and various departments of said county, report the accompanying bill (House, No. 5399).

For the committee,

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

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HAMPDEN COUNTY TO CONSTRUCT NEW BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES FOR THE COURTS AND VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS OF THE COUNTY.

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 county commissioners of Hampden county
2 are hereby authorized to acquire by purchase or take by eminent
3 domain under chapter seventy-nine of the General Laws, suffi-
4 cient land for the construction of suitable and adequate facili-
5 ties, including parking facilities, for the superior court, the dis-
6 trict court of Springfield, the probate court, the registry of deeds
7 and the registry of probate, and said facilities shall house the
8 offices of the clerk of courts, the register of probate, the clerk
9 of the district court, the district attorney, the probation offices
10 of said courts, the maintenance department, the county treasurer
11 and the county commissioners and shall contain a law library.
12 Said facilities shall be located on all or part of the land bounded
13 by Elm street, Main street, State street and East Columbus
14 avenue in the city of Springfield.

15 Said county commissioners are further authorized to cause
16 plans and specifications to be prepared for the construction of
17 such facilities; provided, that the total cost of such plans and
18 specifications and the cost of acquisition of such land, includ-
19 ing legal and appraisal fees, shall not exceed two million dollars;
20 and provided, further, that such plans and specifications shall
21 be so drawn that the total cost of the project including the ac-
22 quisition of land, the preparation of plans and specifications
23 and the construction and originally equipping of said facilities
24 shall not exceed fourteen million dollars. Any sums received
25 from the federal government for the purposes of this act shall be
26 included in, and considered a part of, the total amount author-
27 ized to be expended hereunder.

1 SECTION 2. For the purposes authorized by section one, the
2 treasurer of said county, with the approval of the county com-
3 missioners, may borrow upon the credit of the county such sums
4 as may be necessary, not exceeding, in the aggregate, two million
5 dollars, and may issue bonds or notes of the county therefor,
6 which shall bear on their face the words, Hampden County
7 Courthouse and other Facilities Loan, of 1969. Each authorized
8 issue shall constitute a separate loan and such loans shall be
9 payable in not more than twenty years from their dates. The
10 bonds or notes shall be signed by the county treasurer and
11 countersigned by a majority of the county commissioners. The
12 county may sell the said securities at public or private sale,
13 upon such terms and conditions as the county commissioners
14 may deem proper, but not for less than their par value. In-
15 debtedness incurred hereunder shall, except as herein provided,
16 be subject to chapter thirty-five of the General Laws.

1 SECTION 3. The county treasurer of said county, with the
2 approval of the county commissioners, may issue temporary
3 notes of the county, payable in not more than one year from
4 their dates, in anticipation of the issue of serial bonds or notes
5 under this act, but the time within which such serial bonds
6 or notes shall become due and payable shall not, by reason
7 of such temporary notes, be extended beyond the time fixed
8 by this act. Any notes issued in anticipation of the serial bonds
9 or notes shall be paid from the proceeds thereof.

1 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Section 1. The purpose of this act is to provide for the better regulation of the business of the State, and to amend the several acts relating thereto. The act shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage.

Section 2. The Governor shall have the honor to call the Legislature together at such time and place as he may think proper, and he may adjourn the same from time to time, and he may dissolve the same at any time before the expiration of the term for which they were elected. The Legislature shall assemble on the first day of January in each year, and shall continue in session until the first day of March following, unless sooner adjourned by the Legislature.

Section 3. The Governor shall have the honor to call the Legislature together at such time and place as he may think proper, and he may adjourn the same from time to time, and he may dissolve the same at any time before the expiration of the term for which they were elected. The Legislature shall assemble on the first day of January in each year, and shall continue in session until the first day of March following, unless sooner adjourned by the Legislature.

Section 4. The Governor shall have the honor to call the Legislature together at such time and place as he may think proper, and he may adjourn the same from time to time, and he may dissolve the same at any time before the expiration of the term for which they were elected. The Legislature shall assemble on the first day of January in each year, and shall continue in session until the first day of March following, unless sooner adjourned by the Legislature.

Section 5. The Governor shall have the honor to call the Legislature together at such time and place as he may think proper, and he may adjourn the same from time to time, and he may dissolve the same at any time before the expiration of the term for which they were elected. The Legislature shall assemble on the first day of January in each year, and shall continue in session until the first day of March following, unless sooner adjourned by the Legislature.

Section 6. This act shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage.

Section 7. The Governor shall have the honor to call the Legislature together at such time and place as he may think proper, and he may adjourn the same from time to time, and he may dissolve the same at any time before the expiration of the term for which they were elected. The Legislature shall assemble on the first day of January in each year, and shall continue in session until the first day of March following, unless sooner adjourned by the Legislature.

Section 8. The Governor shall have the honor to call the Legislature together at such time and place as he may think proper, and he may adjourn the same from time to time, and he may dissolve the same at any time before the expiration of the term for which they were elected. The Legislature shall assemble on the first day of January in each year, and shall continue in session until the first day of March following, unless sooner adjourned by the Legislature.