

HOUSE No. 987

By Mr. McCarthy of East Bridgewater, petition of the Massachusetts Selectmen's Association that towns be permitted to purchase without bids materials costing less than five hundred dollars to be used in highway work. Towns.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PERMITTING THE PURCHASE BY TOWNS WITHOUT BIDS OF MATERIALS COSTING LESS THAN FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS TO BE USED IN CONNECTION WITH CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE WORK UNDERTAKEN UNDER CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE GENERAL LAWS.

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 28 of chapter 81 of the General
2 Laws, as appearing in the Tercentenary Edition, is
3 hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the
4 following:—

5 Materials purchased from time to time by the towns
6 for and on account of such work and costing less than
7 five hundred dollars may be purchased without bids.

1 SECTION 2. Section 34 of chapter 90 of the General
2 Laws, as most recently amended by section 1, chapter
3 427, acts of 1943, is hereby further amended by insert-

4 ing after the first sentence of paragraph (a) of sub-
5 division (2) the following new sentence:— In cases
6 where work under this section is actually performed
7 by a town it may from time to time purchase ma-
8 terials on account of such work and costing less than
9 five hundred dollars without bids.