

HOUSE No. 681.

[Bill accompanying the petition of Anna Cabot Lodge. Cities.]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-nine.

AN ACT

Relative to the Height of Buildings in the vicinity of the
State House in the City of Boston.

*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. Any building now being built or here-
2 after to be built, rebuilt or altered in any part of the
3 city of Boston, within a distance of one thousand feet
4 from the state house, may be completed, built, rebuilt or
5 altered to the height of the main cornice of the Bulfinch
6 front of the state house, as the same now is, and no
7 higher: *provided, however*, that there may be erected on
8 any such building, above the limits hereinbefore pre-
9 scribed, such chimneys and ornamental features as the
10 governor and his council may approve: and, *provided*
11 *further*, that nothing herein contained shall be construed

12 to authorize the construction of any building above the
13 limits of height otherwise prescribed by law.

1 SECTION 2. Any person sustaining damage or loss in
2 his property by reason of the limit of the height of
3 buildings provided for in this act, may recover such
4 damage or loss from the Commonwealth of Massachu-
5 setts, by proceedings begun within three years of the
6 passage of this act, and in the manner prescribed by
7 law for the collection of claims against the Common-
8 wealth.

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

