

HOUSE No. 1535

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 4, 1909.

The committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 884) of Edwin H. Moulton for legislation to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Essex to repair and maintain the fender piers of Groveland bridge and Rocks bridge over the Merrimac river, report the accompanying bill.

For the committee,

ARTHUR L. NASON.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 8, 1909.

The committee on Counties on the part of the House, to whom was referred the bill relative to the expense of maintaining and operating the Groveland bridge over the Merrimac river between the city of Haverhill and the town of Groveland, report that the same ought to pass.

For the committee,

CLARENCE J. FOGG.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Nine.

AN ACT

Relative to the Expense of maintaining and operating the Groveland Bridge over the Merrimac River between the City of Haverhill and the Town of Groveland.

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 expense of maintaining and op-
2 erating the Groveland bridge, so called, over the Merri-
3 mac river between the city of Haverhill and the town of
4 Groveland, shall, in the first instance, be paid out of
5 the treasury of the county of Essex. The county com-
6 missioners of the county of Essex shall have full control
7 of said bridge, and shall annually, in the month of No-
8 vember, submit to the treasurers of the city of Haverhill
9 and towns of Groveland, Georgetown and West New-
10 bury, a true statement of the expense of the maintenance
11 and operation of the said bridge; and within thirty days
12 thereafter, the said city and each of the said towns shall
13 pay into the treasury of the county of Essex sixty per
14 cent of said expense, as follows: the city of Haverhill
15 thirty per cent, the town of Groveland fifteen per cent,

16 the town of West Newbury seven and one half per cent
17 and the town of Georgetown seven and one half per
18 cent, and if the said city or either of the said towns
19 neglects or refuses to pay its proportion as required afore-
20 said, the said commissioners shall, after a notice to the
21 said city or town, so neglecting or refusing, issue a war-
22 rant for its proportion, determined as aforesaid, with
23 interest and the cost of the notice and warrant, and the
24 same shall be collected and paid into the treasury of said
25 county to be applied in payment of the expense aforesaid.

1 SECTION 2. The county commissioners of the county
2 of Essex are hereby authorized and directed to repair
3 and reconstruct the fender pier at the Groveland bridge,
4 and the expense thereof shall be borne by said county of
5 Essex and paid for from the treasury of the county of
6 Essex, and for the aforesaid purpose the county commis-
7 sioners of the county of Essex are hereby authorized to
8 borrow on the credit of the county a sum not exceeding
9 ten thousand dollars.

1 SECTION 3. After the fender pier at the said bridge
2 has been repaired and reconstructed as provided in sec-
3 tion two, the cost of any further repairs of the said pier
4 shall be considered as a part of the maintenance and
5 operation of said bridge and shall be paid for in the same
6 proportions as provided in section one of this act.

