

HOUSE No. 1641

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 24, 1919.

The committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred the Bill (taken from the files of last year) to provide for the further improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the towns of Hubbardston and Rutland (House, No. 181), report that the same ought to pass in a new draft herewith submitted.

For the committee,

J. WARREN MOULTON.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Nineteen.

AN ACT

To provide for the Further Improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a Highway in the Towns of Hubbardston and Rutland.

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 Massachusetts highway commission
2 is hereby authorized and directed to expend during the
3 present year the sum of fifty thousand dollars, in addition
4 to the amount authorized for the same purpose by chap-
5 ter two hundred and ten of the acts of nineteen hundred
6 and sixteen, in the further construction and improvement
7 of the highway from Gardner to Worcester in the towns
8 of Hubbardston and Rutland, over such route as the com-
9 mission shall deem best. Neither said way nor any part
10 thereof shall thereby become a state highway, and
11 the way shall be maintained and kept in repair by the
12 towns in which it is situated. This act shall not be con-
13 strued as prohibiting the laying out and construction of
14 said way, or any part thereof, as a state highway under
15 the laws applicable thereto, whenever the Massachusetts
16 highway commission shall deem it expedient so to do.
17 Any unexpended balance of the sum hereby authorized to
18 be expended may be used in the succeeding year for the
19 same purpose.

1 SECTION 2. The cost and expense incurred under au-

2 thority of this act shall, in the first instance, be paid by
3 the commonwealth, provided that the same do not exceed
4 the sum of fifty thousand dollars; and the treasurer and
5 receiver general is hereby authorized and directed to
6 borrow upon the credit of the commonwealth such sums
7 of money as may be required for the said cost and ex-
8 pense. All money so borrowed shall be deposited in the
9 state treasury, and the treasurer and receiver general
10 shall pay out the same as ordered by said commission and
11 shall keep a separate and accurate account of all sums
12 borrowed and expended, including interest.

1 SECTION 3. Upon the completion of the said improve-
2 ment, the said commission shall file with the auditor of
3 the commonwealth a detailed statement of the expendi-
4 tures hereunder which shall be apportioned as follows: —
5 fifty per cent shall be paid by the commonwealth, thirty-
6 five per cent by the county of Worcester, and fifteen per
7 cent by the town of Hubbardston for that part of the
8 highway which is in said town, and fifteen per cent by
9 the town of Rutland for that part of the highway which
10 is in said town, and the said county and towns shall,
11 within such time and in such manner as the said com-
12 mission shall direct, pay the same into the treasury of
13 the commonwealth.

1 SECTION 4. The county commissioners of the county
2 of Worcester are hereby authorized to borrow on the
3 credit of the county, for a period not exceeding five
4 years, such sums as may be necessary to provide for the
5 payment which may be required from the county under
6 the provisions of this act, and may issue the notes or
7 bonds of the county therefor.

