

By Mr. White of Boston, petition of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority and W. Paul White relative to the financing of said authority. Transportation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Seven.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE FINANCING OF THE MASSACHUSETTS BAY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY.

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 16 of Chapter 1140 of the Acts of 1973 is
2 hereby amended by striking out the third paragraph as appearing
3 therein:

1 SECTION 2. Chapter 161A of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by adding to said Chapter the following new section:—

3 *Section 30.* In any calendar year after calendar year nineteen
4 hundred and seventy-three, the commonwealth, acting by and
5 through the executive office for administration and finance, shall
6 enter into a contract or contracts with the authority providing
7 that in addition to the contract assistance provided under section
8 28 of Chapter 161A of the General Laws, additional financial
9 assistance shall be paid by the commonwealth from the General
10 Fund. The amount of said assistance shall not be assessed upon
11 the cities and towns constituting said authority; provided,
12 however, that the total of the financial assistance provided under
13 this section and the contract assistance provided under said
14 section 28 in any calendar year shall not be less than 50 percent of
15 the net cost of service of the authority for such calendar year.
16 Financial Assistance provided by the commonwealth to the
17 Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority under this
18 paragraph shall, for assessment purposes, be applied so as to

19 result in reductions to the cost of local service and to the cost of
20 express service in proportion to the percentage each bears to the
21 total cost of said express and local service after the application of
22 contract assistance under said section 28 to the net cost of express
23 service and the net cost of local service.

1 SECTION 3. In addition to the contract assistance and
2 financial assistance provided under Chapter 161A of the General
3 Laws, the Commonwealth, acting by and through the executive
4 office for administration and finance, shall enter into a contract
5 or contracts with the Massachusetts Bay Transportation
6 Authority to pay to said authority one hundred percent of the net
7 additional expense of rail service contracted for with the
8 authority by outside communities.