

HOUSE No. 151.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 8, 1877.

The Committee on Water Supply and Drainage, to whom was referred the petition of the Attleborough Water-Supply District for legislation to define the mode of taxation in said district, and to whom was recommitted the Bill in addition to an Act to supply the village of Attleborough with water for the extinguishment of fires and for other purposes, report said Bill in a new draft.

For the Committee.

T. J. HASTINGS.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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

AN ACT

In addition to an Act to supply the Village of Attleborough with Water for the extinguishment of Fires, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECT. 1. The Attleborough water-supply dis-
2 trict may issue bonds to an amount not exceeding
3 six thousand dollars, bearing interest, payable
4 semi-annually, at a rate not exceeding seven per
5 centum per annum, in addition to the amount now
6 authorized by law, the principal payable at periods
7 not more than thirty years from the date thereof;
8 said bonds to be issued and disposed of in the
9 manner and for the purposes specified in section
10 five of chapter two hundred and seventy-one of
11 the acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-
12 three.

1 SECT. 2. Said district shall authorized, upon a
2 two-thirds vote of its legal voters, present and

3 voting at a meeting called for that purpose, to
4 raise by taxation annually, a sum which with the
5 income derived from the water-rates, shall be suf-
6 ficient to pay the current annual expenses of oper-
7 ating its water works and the interest accruing
8 on the bonds issued by said district.

1 SECT. 3. Said district is further authorized,
2 upon a two-thirds vote of its legal voters, present
3 and voting at a meeting called for that purpose,
4 to raise by taxation any sum of money for the pur-
5 pose of extending its water-pipes and providing
6 the necessary fixtures connected therewith, not ex-
7 ceeding two thousand dollars in any one year.

1 SECT. 4. Said district shall raise annually, by
2 taxation, a sum sufficient to make the necessary
3 annual contributions to a sinking fund, which shall
4 be established for the redemption of the bonds
5 issued by the district at maturity. And said sink-
6 ing fund, with its accumulations, shall be held,
7 managed and invested by three commissioners,
8 who shall be elected by ballot at a regular meeting
9 of the voters of said district called for the pur-
10 pose, one for a term ending one year, one for a
11 term ending two years, and one for a term ending
12 three years from the next succeeding annual dis-
13 trict meeting of said voters; after which first elec-
14 tion, one of said commissioners, as the term
15 expires, shall be elected at the annual meeting of
16 said district for the term of three years. Any
17 vacancy in said office may be filled at a regular
18 meeting of the voters of the district called for the
19 purpose, and said commissioners shall render to

20 said district, at its annual meeting, a full statement
21 of the condition of said fund.

1 SECT. 5. Whenever a tax is duly voted by said
2 district, the clerk shall render a certified copy of
3 the record to the assessors of the town of Attle-
4 borough, who shall proceed within thirty days to
5 assess the same, in the same manner, in all
6 respects, as town taxes are by law required to be
7 assessed. The assessment shall be committed to
8 one of the town collectors, who shall collect said
9 tax in the same manner as is provided for the col-
10 lection of school district taxes, and shall deposit
11 the proceeds thereof with the town treasurer.

1 SECT. 6. So much of sections three and four
2 of chapter two hundred and seventy-one of the
3 acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-
4 three as is inconsistent with this act, is hereby
5 repealed.

1 SECT. 7. This act shall take effect upon its
2 passage.