

HOUSE....No. 61.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In SENATE, March, 1853.

The Joint Committee on Railways and Canals, to whom was committed the petition of Wrentham Branch Railroad, praying to establish the Wrentham Branch Railroad Company, report the accompanying bill.

For the Committee,

S. D. DAVENPORT.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-
Three.

AN ACT

To Establish the Wrentham Branch Railroad.

*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. Jason H. Archer, Daniel A. Cook,
2 Hiram B. Fisher, their associates and successors, are
3 hereby made a corporation by the name of the
4 Wrentham Branch Railroad Corporation, with all the
5 powers and privileges, and subject to all the duties,
6 liabilities, and restrictions, set forth in the forty-
7 fourth chapter of the Revised Statutes, and in that
8 part of the thirty-ninth chapter thereof relating to
9 railroad corporations, and all other general laws
10 which have been, or shall hereafter be passed, rela-
11 tive to railroad corporations.

1 SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized
2 and empowered to locate, construct, and maintain a
3 railroad, with one or more tracks from some con-
4 venient point on the Norfolk County Railroad, in
5 Wrentham, to some convenient point near the central
6 village in Wrentham; and to enter with their rail-
7 road, by proper turnouts and switches, upon the Nor-
8 folk County Railroad, at the point aforesaid, and to
9 use the same, or any part thereof, according to the
10 provisions of law.

1 SECT. 3. The capital stock of said corporation
2 shall not exceed three hundred and fifty shares, the
3 number of which shall be determined from time to
4 time by the directors of said corporation, and no
5 assessment shall be laid thereon of a greater amount,
6 in the whole, than one hundred dollars on each
7 share; and the said corporation may purchase and
8 hold such real estate as may be necessary for the pur-
9 poses of their incorporation.

1 SECT. 4. If the location of this road be not filed
2 within two years, and if said railroad be not con-
3 structed within three years from the passage of this
4 act, then this act shall be void.

1 SECT. 5. Said corporation are hereby authorized
2 to dispose of their franchise, and all their rights
3 under this act, to the Norfolk County Railroad Com-
4 pany, on such terms as shall be agreed upon by said
5 corporations respectively; and, if said Wrentham
6 Branch Railroad Corporation shall thus transfer its
7 franchise and rights to the Norfolk County Railroad
8 Company, the said Norfolk County Railroad are

9 hereby authorized to increase their capital stock by
10 the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars.

1 SECT. 6. This act shall take effect from and after
2 its passage.

SENATE, March 11, 1853.

Passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

CHAS. CALHOUN, *Clerk.*