

To accompany the petition of Joseph S. Virostek for legislation relative to the purchase of forest fire fighting apparatus by the Department of Conservation for use by cities and towns. Conservation.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Eight.

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE PURCHASE OF FOREST FIRE  
FIGHTING APPARATUS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CON-  
SERVATION FOR USE BY CITIES AND TOWNS.

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

1 Chapter 48 of the General Laws is hereby amended  
2 by inserting after section 28B the following section: —  
3 *Section 28C.* The department of conservation may  
4 annually expend such sum as may be appropriated  
5 therefor, for the purchase of apparatus to be used by  
6 the several cities and towns in preventing and ex-  
7 tinguishing forest fires. Said department shall, from  
8 time to time, provide by rules and regulations for the  
9 custody and maintenance of said apparatus, and for  
10 the use of said apparatus, subject to the pertinent  
11 provisions of sections twenty-four and twenty-five  
12 relative to the use and control of apparatus in the  
13 extinguishment of fires.

