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**SENATE . . . . . No. 1130**

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By Mr. Boverini, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1130) of Walter J. Boverini for legislation to regulate the sale of real estate by cities and towns. Local Affairs.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-three.

**AN ACT REGULATING THE SALE OF REAL ESTATE 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 40 of the General Laws is hereby amended by in-  
2 serting after section 3A the following new section: —  
3 *Section 3B.* Any city or town which accepts the provisions  
4 of this section may require notice of the intent to sell real  
5 estate held by a city, town, district or regional school district  
6 by sealed bid and shall be advertised in a newspaper of gen-  
7 eral circulation in the city or town at least once a week for  
8 two successive weeks, the first publication to be not less than  
9 fourteen days before the date set for the opening of such bids.  
10 Notice of the time and place of such opening of bids, a de-  
11 scription of the real estate being offered for sale, a minimum  
12 acceptable purchase price and the amount of a minimum ac-  
13 ceptable deposit to be enclosed with each bid shall be con-  
14 tained in each such publication. Any bids lower in amount  
15 than the advertised minimum purchase price shall be accepted.  
16 In the event said city or town shall rescind its offer of sale of  
17 said real estate, it shall cause to be published at least one week  
18 prior to the date of said bid openings in the same newspaper  
19 which published the original notice its said rescission, and  
20 shall mail a copy of such notice to each of the makers of any  
21 bids then received.

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