

HOUSE No. 227

By Mr. Tilden of Scituate, petition of Nathaniel Tilden for legislation to authorize cities and towns to contribute toward the cost of motor bus service therein. Transportation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT AUTHORIZING CITIES AND TOWNS TO CONTRIBUTE TOWARD THE COST OF MOTOR BUS SERVICE THEREIN.

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 159A of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by inserting after section 16 the following
3 new section:—

4 *Section 16A.* Any city or town may from time to
5 time, for the purpose of providing transportation
6 facilities or avoiding a reduction or discontinuance of
7 transportation facilities, enter into agreements with
8 any person lawfully authorized to operate any motor
9 bus on any public way therein for the carrying of
10 passengers for hire, to contribute to the cost of the
11 service; provided, that no contribution under any
12 such agreement shall in any year exceed the sum of
13 one dollar for each one thousand dollars of the assessed
14 valuation of such city or town of the year preceding
15 the date of such agreement, except that, with the ap-
16 proval of the department, a sum not to exceed two

17 dollars on the valuation as provided herein may be
 18 contributed. The department shall, upon application
 19 of a city or town, determine any question relating to
 20 the character or extent of the service rendered or
 21 facilities furnished in pursuance of said agreement in
 22 the event of any difference arising between the per-
 23 sons authorized as aforesaid and said city or town in
 24 relation thereto.