

By Mr. Serra of Boston, petition of Emanuel G. Serra for legislation to direct the Massachusetts Port Authority to soundproof certain private homes in the vicinity of the General Edward Lawrence Logan International Airport. Transportation.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

AN ACT AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MASSACHUSETTS PORT AUTHORITY TO SOUNDPROOF CERTAIN PRIVATE HOMES IN THE VICINITY OF THE GENERAL LAWRENCE LOGAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

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

1 SECTION 1. The Massachusetts Port Authority is hereby  
2 authorized and directed to prepare and adopt on or before  
3 September 1, 1982, a sound proofing program for private homes  
4 contiguous to the airport and/or for private homes severely  
5 impacted by noise resulting from operations of Logan  
6 International Airport. Funding for preparation and implementa-  
7 tion of said sound proofing program shall come from monies paid  
8 in lieu of taxes to Winthrop, Chelsea, and Boston. The sound  
9 proofing program shall include but not be limited to the ceilings,  
10 doors, windows, and walls of the houses selected. In addition said  
11 program shall include provisions for the compensation of the loss  
12 of natural ventilation due to sound proofing in any house.

1 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding any provisions of the laws to  
2 the contrary the Massachusetts Port Authority shall deduct an  
3 amount equal to 5 percent of the money mutually agreed to under  
4 the provisions of Section 17 of Chapter 465 of the Acts of 1978,  
5 to be paid by the port authority in lieu of taxes to any municipality,  
6 not to exceed \$200,000.00 in each municipality, in any calendar  
7 year, for the purpose of establishing and administering a sound  
8 proofing program for privately owned houses in said municipal-

9 ties. Said money shall be deducted prior to each annual payment  
10 and shall be kept in a separate and segregated account by the  
11 authority.

1 SECTION 3. Within each municipality that receives money in  
2 lieu of taxes under the provisions of Section 17 of Chapter 465  
3 of the Acts of 1978, the port authority shall, each year after  
4 September 1, 1986, select private homes on an annual basis to be  
5 sound proofed under the provisions of this act. Selection of private  
6 homes shall be based on contiguity with the airport, decibel  
7 readings, or both.

1 SECTION 4. In any year in which more homes qualify for  
2 soundproofing, than funds are available to soundproof, the homes  
3 shall be selected by lottery on a random basis. In no case shall  
4 a private home of greater eligibility be by-passed for one of lesser  
5 eligibility.