

HOUSE No. 3919

By Mr. Turkington of Falmouth, petition of Eric Turkington and others for legislation to establish a program of grants for approved public library projects. Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PETITION OF:

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In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO PUBLIC LIBRARY PROJECTS.

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. For a program of grants to cities and towns for
2 approved public library projects as authorized by Sections 19G to
3 19I, inclusive, of Chapter 78 of the General Laws; provided further,
4 that not more than \$500,000 of the amount authorized herein may be
5 expended by the board of library commissioners for the administra-
6 tive costs directly attributable to the projects funded herein,
7 including the costs of temporary personnel; provided, however, that
8 no permanent personnel shall be compensated from this item; pro-
9 vided further, that said board shall file an annual spending plan with
10 the fiscal affairs division and the house and senate committees on
11 ways and means which details, by subsidiary, all temporary
12 personnel and administrative costs charged to this
13 Item.....\$100,000,000.

1 SECTION 2. To fund public library projects, established in
2 section 1, the state treasurer shall, upon the request of the governor,
3 issue and sell bonds of the Commonwealth in an amount to be speci-
4 fied by the governor from time to time, but not exceeding, in the
5 aggregate, the sum of \$100,000,000. All bonds issued by the Com-
6 monwealth as aforesaid shall be designated on their face, Public
7 Library Projects, Act of 2007, and shall be issued for such maximum
8 term of years, not exceeding 20 years, as the governor may recom-
9 mend to the general court pursuant to Section 3 of Article LXII of
10 the Amendments to the Constitution. All such bonds shall be
11 payable not later than June 30, 2027. All interest and payments on
12 account of principal of such obligations shall be payable from the
13 General Fund. Bonds issued under the authority of this section shall
14 not be included in the computation of outstanding direct bonds for
15 purposes of the limit imposed by the second paragraph of section
16 60A of chapter 29 of the General Laws, nor included in the compu-
17 tation of general obligation debt for purposes of the limit imposed by
18 section 60B of said chapter 29.

1 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.