

AN ACT RELATIVE TO PROCURING A WATER SUPPLY FOR THE CITY *Chap.459*
OF BOSTON AND ITS SUBURBS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows :

SECTION 1. The state board of health is hereby authorized and directed to investigate, consider and report upon the question of a water supply for the city of Boston and its suburbs within a radius of ten miles from the state house, and for such other cities and towns as in its opinion should be included in connection therewith.

Investigation and report on water supply for Boston and suburbs.

SECTION 2. The said board shall forthwith proceed to investigate and consider this subject, including all questions relating to the quantity of water to be obtained from available sources, its quality, the best methods of protecting the purity of the water, the construction, operation and maintenance of works for storing, conveying or purifying the water, the cost of the same, the damages to property, and all other matters pertaining to the subject.

Details of investigation.

SECTION 3. The said board shall have power to employ such engineering and other assistance and to incur such expenses as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of this act.

Engineering and other assistance.

SECTION 4. The said board shall report fully with plans and estimates to the legislature on or before the first Wednesday in January in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five, and shall append to its report drafts of bills intended to accomplish the recommendations of the board.

Report, plans, estimates, etc.

SECTION 5. The total amount of money which shall be expended out of the treasury of the Commonwealth in carrying out the provisions of this act shall not exceed forty thousand dollars. The Commonwealth shall be reimbursed for the amount expended by the cities and towns which are to receive the benefit of the system recommended in the report, in proportion to the population of each.

Expenditure, reimbursement.

SECTION 6. Before incurring any expense the board shall from time to time estimate the amounts required and shall submit the same to the governor and council for their approval, and no expense shall be incurred beyond the amount so estimated and approved.

Estimate of expenses to be approved by governor and council.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved June 9, 1893.