

HOUSE No. 4880

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, July 18, 2024.

The committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4770) of Jay D. Livingstone (with approval of the mayor and city council) relative to the expansion of a branch of the Boston Public Library within an affordable housing development in the West End Neighborhood of the downtown sections of the city of Boston, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 4880) ought to pass [Local Approval Received].

For the committee,

ANTONIO F. D. CABRAL.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act relative to the expansion of a branch of the Boston Public Library within an affordable housing development in the West End Neighborhood of the downtown sections of the city of Boston.

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. Construction and development activity related to redevelopment of a city-
2 owned parcel with an existing library by grant of a ground lease to the developer selected by the
3 Mayor’s Office of Housing through a request for proposals for subsidized affordable housing and
4 improved core/shell space for a branch library, or any part thereof, shall not be subject to any
5 general or special law related to the procurement and award of contracts for the planning, design,
6 construction management, construction, reconstruction, installation, demolition, maintenance, or
7 repair of buildings or public works by a public agency, including Chapter 149, Chapter 7C, or
8 Chapter 30, Section 39M of the General Laws, nor shall the acquisition of any interest necessary
9 to support the completion of the project be subject to Chapter 30B, Section 16, but it shall be
10 subject to Sections 26 to 27H, inclusive, of Chapter 149 of the General Laws.

11 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.