

SENATE No. 2006

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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SENATE, Monday, February 10, 2014

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the Senate Bill authorizing the division of capital asset management and maintenance to convey certain property at Northampton State Hospital (Senate, No. 1532); reports, recommending that the same ought to pass with an amendment substituting a new draft of the same title (Senate, No. 2006).

For the committee,
Stephen M. Brewer

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An Act authorizing the division of capital asset management and maintenance to convey certain property at Northampton State Hospital.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to authorize forthwith the conveyance of a certain parcel of land at Northampton State Hospital, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

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. Pursuant to chapter 86 of the acts of 1994, the Commonwealth of
2 Massachusetts, acting through the division of capital planning and operations, conveyed portions
3 of the Northampton State Hospital to Hospital Hill Development LLC, a Delaware limited
4 liability company, c/o Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, 160 Federal Street, Boston,
5 Massachusetts 02110, for the redevelopment of such portions of the Northampton State Hospital
6 in accordance with chapter 86 of the acts of 1994. The division of capital planning and
7 operations is now named the division of capital asset management and maintenance.

8 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding sections 32 to 38, inclusive, of chapter 7C of the General
9 Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, the commissioner of capital asset
10 management and maintenance, in consultation with the commissioner of mental health, may
11 convey or lease for a period not to exceed 99 years to Hospital Hill Development LLC, for

12 nominal consideration, 18,000 square feet of a certain parcel of land comprising a part of the
13 Northampton State Hospital located on the Haskell Building Parcel, as referenced in a plan dated
14 December 31, 1997 and prepared by Robarge Associates Land Surveying and a plan dated April
15 3,2012 and prepared by Arrowstreet Inc., and held in the offices of the division of capital asset
16 management and maintenance. The exact size and boundaries of the land to be conveyed shall be
17 determined by the commissioner of capital asset management and maintenance, in consultation
18 with the secretary of health and human services, the commissioner of mental health and Hospital
19 Hill Development LLC, after completion of a survey.

20 SECTION 3. The commissioner of capital asset management and maintenance, acting in
21 consultation with the commissioner of the department of mental health, shall prepare the
22 necessary documents to convey the property described in section 2 to Hospital Hill Development
23 LLC. Hospital Hill Development LLC shall be responsible for all costs including, without
24 limitation, recording fees to effect the conveyance or lease authorized in section 2.

25 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.