

SENATE No. 466

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

SENATE, April 1, 1913.

The committee on Harbors and Public Lands, to whom was referred the report of the persons appointed, under chapter 529 of the acts of the year 1911, to investigate the feasibility of taking Lake Quinsigamond in the city of Worcester and the town of Shrewsbury, with its shores and approaches, as a city, county or State reservation (accompanied by bill, House, No. 598), report the accompanying bill.

For the committee,

WILLIAM A. BELLAMY.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirteen.

AN ACT

To provide for the Police Control of Lake Quinsigamond.

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 harbor and land commissioners
2 shall hereafter make provision for the policing of
3 Lake Quinsigamond, so called, in the county of
4 Worcester. For the purposes of this act the said
5 commissioners are authorized and directed to file
6 and cause to be recorded in the Worcester district
7 registry of deeds a description sufficiently accurate
8 for identification of a certain tract of land to be
9 called the Lake Quinsigamond District, situated
10 partly in the city of Worcester and partly in the
11 towns of Shrewsbury, Grafton and Millbury, and
12 including within its limits Lake Quinsigamond.
13 Said district shall consist of the waters of said lake,
14 and the lands within one hundred feet of said lake
15 throughout its entire extent, including all ponds and
16 streams connected therewith so far as they are nav-
17 ighable by pleasure boats or canoes; also all the land

18 included in the district bounded by Lincoln street,
19 Lake avenue, Harrington street, the Shrewsbury
20 and Grafton road, North Quinsigamond avenue and
21 South Quinsigamond avenue, including said roads,
22 streets and avenues, or so much of the territory
23 above described as the said commissioners shall
24 deem expedient or proper for the purposes of this
25 act.

1 SECTION 2. The said commissioners shall have
2 the same power to provide for the proper policing
3 of said district, and to make rules for the protection
4 of health, life and property within said district as
5 that granted to the metropolitan park commission
6 in the territory placed in their care; but this act
7 shall not impair their present powers in the prem-
8 ises.

1 SECTION 3. The constables and police officers of
2 the city of Worcester and town of Shrewsbury may
3 exercise throughout the district the powers which
4 they have by law in their respective municipalities.

1 SECTION 4. The said commissioners may expend
2 for the purposes of this act the sum of twenty-five
3 thousand dollars annually, to be allowed and paid
4 out of the treasury of the commonwealth, and such
5 additional sums as the general court may from time
6 to time appropriate for this purpose. The common-
7 wealth shall be reimbursed annually for the sums
8 so expended by the city of Worcester and the town
9 of Shrewsbury, each contributing thereto in pro-
10 portion to the assessed value of taxable property
11 as determined for the purpose of apportioning the
12 state tax.

1 SECTION 5. Said commissioners shall report to
2 the general court not later than the fifteenth day of
3 January in each year its doings under this act, and
4 may make such recommendations as to taking land
5 and imposing restrictions as they may deem ad-
6 visable.

1 SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon its ac-
2 ceptance, within one year after its passage, by the
3 mayor and city council of the city of Worcester and
4 by a majority of the voters of the town of Shrews-
5 bury present and voting thereon at an annual town
6 meeting or at a special meeting of said town called
7 for the purpose; but unless so accepted, this act
8 shall be void.