

HOUSE No. 2150

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 3, 1948.

The committee on Harbors and Public Lands, to whom were referred the annual and special reports of the Port of Boston Authority (under Subsections 1 and 3 of Chapter 619 of the Acts of 1945) for the year ending December, 1947, including plans and estimates of cost of acquiring needed pier facilities and of the construction of new facilities deemed necessary at the Port of Boston (House, No. 1600, App. III), report the accompanying bill (House, No. 2150).

For the committee,

JEREMIAH F. BRENNAN.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Eight.

AN ACT CEDING JURISDICTION TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA OVER CERTAIN LAND IN BOSTON HARBOR FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXTENDING THE PRESENT LIMITS OF THE BOSTON NAVY YARD.

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 the purpose of enabling the United
2 States of America to extend the present limits of the
3 navy yard in Boston harbor and to maintain and use
4 the areas hereby ceded as a part of said navy yard, the
5 commonwealth, subject to the conditions hereinafter
6 imposed, hereby grants and cedes to the United States
7 of America jurisdiction over and all right and claim of
8 the commonwealth to those portions of land covered
9 by navigable water lying outboard of the pier and
10 bulkhead line approved by the secretary of war on
11 June twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and eighteen,
12 and between that line and the proposed revised pier-
13 head and bulkhead line shown on a plan entitled
14 "Boston Naval Shipyard — Plan Showing Proposed
15 Change in Pierhead and Bulkhead Lines, P.W.
16 Drawing No. 390-47", dated April twenty-second,
17 nineteen hundred and forty-seven, as revised May
18 sixth, nineteen hundred and forty-seven, and July

19 twenty-third, nineteen hundred and forty-seven. The
20 areas and the lines in question are shown on said plan,
21 said areas being designated Parcel "A" and Parcel
22 "B" thereon, and the areas are described by metes
23 and bounds, as follows: —

24 *Parcel "A"*. — Beginning at a point, marked "N"
25 on said plan; thence S. 8° 23' 12.6" E. along the pier-
26 head and bulkhead line approved by the secretary of
27 war on June twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and eight-
28 een, a distance of nine hundred and fifty-five and
29 eight-tenths feet to a point marked "M" on said plan;
30 thence S. 17° 10' 29.6" W. along said pierhead and
31 bulkhead line a distance of one thousand eight hun-
32 dred and fourteen and three tenths feet to a point
33 marked "L" on said plan; thence N. 25° 7' 15.8" E.
34 a distance of one thousand two hundred and twenty
35 and twenty-seven hundredths feet to a point marked
36 "L1" on said plan; thence N. 6° 45' 12.5" E. a dis-
37 tance of six hundred and twenty-eight and fifty-four
38 hundredths feet to a point marked "M1" on said
39 plan; thence N. 8° 23' 12.6" W. a distance of six
40 hundred and eighty-three and fifty-four hundredths
41 feet to a point marked "N1" on said plan; thence
42 N. 19° 19' 10.2" W. a distance of two hundred and
43 ninety feet to the point of beginning, marked "N" on
44 said plan; said parcel containing two hundred and
45 fifteen thousand, eight hundred and twenty square
46 feet, more or less.

47 *Parcel "B"*. — Beginning at a point, marked "K"
48 on said plan; thence S. 88° 25' 52.4" W. along the
49 pierhead and bulkhead line approved by the secretary
50 of war on June twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and
51 eighteen, a distance of nine hundred and twenty-one
52 feet to a point on said pierhead and bulkhead line

53 marked "J" on said plan; thence N. $40^{\circ} 22' 20.9''$ W.
54 along said pierhead and bulkhead line a distance of
55 one hundred feet to a point marked "I" on said plan;
56 thence S. $79^{\circ} 17' 2''$ W. a distance of one hundred
57 and eighty-three and five tenths feet to a point on the
58 said pierhead and bulkhead line, marked "HI" on
59 said plan; thence S. $76^{\circ} 49' 53.1''$ E. a distance of
60 nine hundred and fifty-four and forty-two hundredths
61 feet to a point marked "KI" on said plan; thence
62 N. $49^{\circ} 40' 56.7''$ E. a distance of three hundred and
63 ten feet to the point of beginning, marked "K" on
64 said plan; said parcel containing one hundred and
65 four thousand, four hundred and fifteen square
66 feet, more or less.

1 SECTION 2. The jurisdiction hereby granted and
2 ceded shall not vest with respect to said areas until
3 the secretary of the army shall have approved the pro-
4 posed revised pierhead and bulkhead line shown on
5 the plan referred to in section one, and the United
6 States of America shall have filed in the office of the
7 state secretary by an agent designated by the secre-
8 tary of the army a copy of said plan and a copy of the
9 document whereby the secretary of the army shall
10 have approved said proposed revised pierhead and
11 bulkhead line; and such jurisdiction is granted and
12 ceded upon the express condition that the common-
13 wealth shall retain concurrent jurisdiction with the
14 United States of America in and over said areas in
15 so far that all civil processes, and such criminal proc-
16 esses as may issue under the authority of the com-
17 monwealth against any person or persons charged
18 with crimes committed without said areas, may be
19 executed thereon in the same manner as though this

20 cession had not been made; provided, that the title
21 to, and the exclusive jurisdiction over, said areas shall
22 revert to and revest in the commonwealth whenever
23 said areas shall cease to be used by the United States
24 of America for the purposes of said navy yard.

1 SECTION 3. The United States government is
2 hereby authorized to fill said ceded areas in accordance
3 with plans to be filed with and approved by the Port
4 of Boston Authority, and to place such structures in
5 and over the said areas as may be necessary for the
6 purposes for which the same are granted.

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