

SENATE No. 573

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

SENATE, May 20, 1948.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 526) of Daniel B. Brunton, mayor of the city of Springfield (with the approval of the city council), for legislation to authorize the park commissioners or other board of said city to use certain park lands for the parking of motor vehicles, report the accompanying bill (Senate, No. 573).

For the committee,

RALPH LERCHE.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE PARK COMMISSIONERS OR OTHER BOARD OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD TO USE CERTAIN PARK LANDS FOR THE PARKING OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

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. Chapter 538 of the acts of 1947 is
2 hereby amended by inserting after the word "Spring-
3 field" in line 1, and after the word "commissioners"
4 in line 25, the words: — or such other board, depart-
5 ment or commission as the city council may desig-
6 nate, — and by adding at the end the following
7 sentence: — If the aggregate amount received from
8 the parking fees at any time exceeds the aggregate
9 amounts spent for improvement of the property or
10 for maintenance of the parking lot, the balance shall
11 be set up on the books of the city as a reserve to be
12 appropriated for playground purposes, — so as to
13 read as follows: — The board of park commissioners
14 of the city of Springfield, or such other board, depart-
15 ment or commission as the city council may desig-
16 nate, upon such terms, and in conformity with such
17 rules and regulations as the city council of said city
18 may authorize by vote, but subject to all provisions
19 of law relative to the acquisition, installation and
20 operation of parking meters on certain ways within
21 the commonwealth, which are hereby made applicable

22 to the area hereinafter referred to so far as the same
23 may be pertinent, may use, or permit the use of, for the
24 parking of motor vehicles, the whole or any part or
25 parts of certain park land in said city within a dis-
26 trict bounded northerly by the northerly line of
27 Court street extended westerly across Columbus
28 avenue to the Connecticut river, westerly by the
29 Connecticut river, southerly by the northerly bound-
30 ary of the land of the Western Massachusetts Electric
31 Company (formerly the United Electric Light Com-
32 pany) lying westerly of the land of the New York, New
33 Haven and Hartford Railroad Company and by the
34 northerly boundary of that portion of Elm street lying
35 easterly of the land of said railroad company and
36 extending to its intersection with said Columbus
37 avenue and easterly by the westerly line of said
38 Columbus avenue to its intersection with said Court
39 street. If so authorized by a vote of the city council
40 of said city, and subject to all pertinent provisions of
41 law hereinbefore referred to, said board of park
42 commissioners or such other board, department or
43 commission as the city council may designate, may
44 install, maintain and operate parking meters in said
45 area, may establish fees for the use of said meters
46 and may establish other restrictions relative to park-
47 ing in said area. If the aggregate amount received
48 from the parking fees at any time exceeds the aggregate
49 amounts spent for improvement of the property or for
50 maintenance of the parking lot, the balance shall be
51 set up on the books of the city as a reserve to be ap-
52 propriated for playground purposes.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take full effect upon its
2 acceptance by the city council of the city of Spring-
3 field.

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