

# HOUSE . . . . No. 1183

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Bill accompanying the petition of E. Allan Peirce for the annexation of the town of Belmont of that part of the city of Waltham in which the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded is located. Cities. January 20.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifteen.

### AN ACT

To annex a Part of the City of Waltham to the Town of Belmont.

*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 following described territory is hereby  
2 separated from the city of Waltham and made a part  
3 of the town of Belmont:— Beginning at the junction  
4 of the boundary lines between Waltham and Lexington,  
5 Waltham and Belmont and Belmont and Lexington,  
6 thence in a straight line south by west to a point on  
7 the northwesterly side of Forest street in said Waltham  
8 at the centre of a private way known as Harrington road;  
9 thence in a straight line southeast to the junction of the  
10 centre lines of Beaver and Linden streets in said Wal-  
11 tham; then in a straight line east by south to the south-

12 easterly side of Warren street in said Waltham at a point  
13 in the centre of a private way known as Hagar's lane;  
14 thence by said Hagar's lane to the boundary line between  
15 Waltham and Watertown; thence northeast by said Wal-  
16 tham-Watertown line to the boundary line between Wal-  
17 tham and Belmont; thence by said Waltham-Belmont  
18 line, following its changes of direction, the general direc-  
19 tion being northwest, to the point of beginning.

1 SECTION 2. All municipal buildings, streets and works  
2 within said territory shall hereafter belong to, and be  
3 under the care of, the town of Belmont, and those voters  
4 in the said territory who are qualified to vote in the said  
5 city shall, upon the passage of this act, be qualified voters  
6 of the said town for all purposes including the nomination  
7 and election of state and county officers, of members of  
8 the general court and of members of the congress of the  
9 United States.

1 SECTION 3. The inhabitants and estates within the  
2 territory hereby annexed to the town of Belmont, and  
3 the owners of said estates, shall pay to the city of Wal-  
4 tham all arrearages of taxes which have been or shall be  
5 legally assessed upon them before this act takes effect,  
6 and all of said taxes shall be collected and paid to said  
7 city in the same manner as if this act had not been passed.  
8 Until the next state valuation the town of Belmont shall,  
9 on or before the month of November, annually pay to  
10 said city the proportionate part of the state and county  
11 tax assessed upon said city which the valuation of the part  
12 set off bears to the valuation of the city according to the  
13 valuation made by the assessors of the said city in the  
14 year nineteen hundred and fourteen.

1 SECTION 4. If any persons within the territory hereby  
2 annexed to the town of Belmont, who have heretofore  
3 gained a legal settlement in said city by reason of resi-  
4 dence in said territory set off as aforesaid or by having  
5 been proprietors of any part thereof, or who may derive  
6 such settlement from any such residence or proprietor-  
7 ship, shall come to want and stand in need of relief, aid  
8 and support as paupers, they shall be relieved and sup-  
9 ported by said town in the same manner in which they  
10 would have been relieved and supported by said city had  
11 they gained a legal settlement therein.

1 SECTION 5. This act shall not effect any suit or other  
2 proceeding now pending in any court, nor any cause of  
3 action in favor of or against the city of Waltham arising  
4 before the passage of this act.

1 SECTION 6. The town of Belmont shall pay to the city  
2 of Waltham the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars in  
3 consideration of the acquisition by the said town of the  
4 schoolhouse and the grounds connected therewith at the  
5 corner of Beaver street and Waverly Oaks road in the  
6 said territory and of the other public property in the  
7 said territory now belonging to the city of Waltham.

1 SECTION 7. This act shall take effect on the fifteenth  
2 day of September in the current year.

