

HOUSE No. 1386.

[Mr. McPherson gives notice that he will move to substitute this bill for the report of the committees on Manufactures, leave to withdraw.]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and One.

AN ACT

To enable the City of New Bedford to establish a Plant for Lighting its Streets and Public Buildings and for Other Purposes.

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 city of New Bedford may by
2 a two-thirds vote of its city council, which has
3 received the approval of the mayor and thereafter
4 ratified by a two-thirds vote of the voters present
5 and voting thereon at an annual municipal election,
6 establish and maintain an electric plant within
7 said city and may manufacture therein and dis-
8 tribute therefrom electricity for lighting its public
9 streets, ways, parks and buildings ; and may erect,

10 lay and maintain wires for the transmission of the
11 same upon, along or under the highways, streets
12 and parks and across or under the waters within
13 the limits of said city by the erection of posts,
14 poles, abutments and conduits, and may use and
15 exercise all the rights and easements it now has
16 or may hereafter acquire on and in the posts,
17 poles, abutments and conduits already erected and
18 laid in the public streets and ways of said city.

1 SECTION 2. For the purposes of this act said
2 city may utilize the land, buildings and such part
3 of the equipment as may be necessary of the old
4 pumping station of the New Bedford water works.

1 SECTION 3. The care, operation, management
2 and control of the aforesaid plant shall be en-
3 trusted to such officer or officers, board or com-
4 mission as the said city shall by ordinance create
5 and provide.

1 SECTION 4. All general laws of the Common-
2 wealth and all ordinances of said city relative to
3 the manufacture or distribution of electricity, so
4 far as the same may be applicable and not incon-
5 sistent with the provisions of this act, shall apply
6 to said city.

1 SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon its
2 passage.