

HOUSE No. 354.

[Bill accompanying the petition of Osborne Howes and others for legislation to provide for some local supervision over the expenditures of the Metropolitan Commissioners. Metropolitan Affairs. Jan. 27.]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Three

AN ACT

To create a Metropolitan Board of Public Works.

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 mayors of the cities and the chairmen
2 of the boards of selectmen of the towns forming the
3 metropolitan park district are hereby created, during
4 their respective terms of service, a metropolitan board
5 of public works.

1 SECTION 2. The permanent chairman of this board
2 shall be the mayor, for the time being, of the city of
3 Boston, and meetings of the said board shall be held at
4 such place as its chairman may designate, not less than

5 twice in a year, once in the month of January and once
6 in the month of July, and at such other times as said
7 chairman may elect or when a meeting is requested in
8 writing by at least five of those serving on the board.

1 SECTION 3. All estimates of expense for the exten-
2 sion or maintenance of the metropolitan park system, the
3 metropolitan sewer system and the metropolitan water
4 system shall be submitted to the said board of public
5 works, and obtain an approval by a majority vote of
6 said board at one of its regular or special meetings be-
7 fore said estimates are submitted to the legislature: *pro-*
8 *vided, however,* that in the case of the metropolitan
9 sewer system and the metropolitan water system those
10 members only of the said board shall be permitted to
11 vote on the questions thus presented who represent
12 municipalities that are contributing members of the
13 respective sewer and water systems.

1 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its pas-
2 sage.