

HOUSE No. 629.

[Bill accompanying the petition of M. J. Collins and others for legislation to authorize the city of Boston to incur indebtedness, beyond the limit fixed by law, for the purpose of establishing a playground and open air gymnasium. Harbors and Public Lands. Feb. 2.]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Three.

AN ACT

To authorize the City of Boston to incur Indebtedness, beyond the Limit fixed by Law, for the Purpose of establishing a Playground and Open Air Gymnasium in Ward Sixteen in said City.

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 Boston, by its board
2 of aldermen, may at any time within two years
3 after the passage of this act, take by gift, upon
4 such conditions as said board of aldermen may
5 deem advisable, or by purchase or otherwise, or
6 hold in fee or otherwise and maintain for the pur-
7 pose of a public playground and open air gymna-
8 sium, a certain tract of land not exceeding fifty-
9 four acres in area, situated in said city and to be

10 included within the following boundaries: Com-
11 mencing at a point on the westerly side of said
12 tract and running northerly along the New Eng-
13 land division of the New York, New Haven and
14 Hartford railroad, eighteen hundred feet to
15 Swett street, then easterly along said Swett street
16 some twelve hundred feet, then southerly on a
17 line five hundred feet from, and parallel to, Boston
18 street to Willow court, then westerly along Wil-
19 low court to the point of beginning.

1 SECTION 2. Said city, to make any taking by
2 right of eminent domain, shall cause to be recorded
3 in the registry of deeds for the county of Suffolk
4 a description of the lands, easements, estates or
5 rights to be taken, as certain as is required in a
6 common conveyance of land, with the statement
7 of the purpose for which the same were taken,
8 which statement shall be signed by the mayor;
9 and the lands, easements, estates or rights therein
10 described shall upon such recording be taken for,
11 and shall vest in the city.

1 SECTION 3. The city of Boston is hereby
2 authorized to fill in such portion of the body of
3 water known as the South bay, as is included in
4 the above named boundaries, subject to the pro-
5 visions of chapter ninety-six of the Revised Laws,
6 except that no compensation for displacement of
7 tide water shall be required.

1 SECTION 4. Said city may for the purposes of
2 this act incur indebtedness from time to time to

3 an amount not exceeding five hundred thousand
4 dollars beyond the limit of indebtedness fixed by
5 law for said city, and for said purposes the city
6 treasurer of said city is hereby authorized to issue
7 from time to time, as the mayor of said city may
8 request, bonds or certificates of indebtedness not
9 exceeding said amount, to bear interest, payable
10 semi-annually, at such rates, not exceeding four
11 per centum per annum, as shall be fixed by said
12 city. Said bonds or certificates of indebtedness
13 shall be issued and disposed of in such amounts,
14 in such modes and at such times and prices as the
15 city treasurer, with the approval of the mayor,
16 shall from time to time determine. The sinking
17 fund commissioners of said city shall, upon the
18 issue of any of the said bonds or certificates of
19 indebtedness, establish a sinking fund and deter-
20 mine the amount to be paid thereon each year, so
21 that the fund shall be sufficient with its accumula-
22 tions to extinguish the debt at maturity, and the
23 treasurer of said city shall pay to said commis-
24 sioners any price received by the city in the
25 negotiation of any such bonds or certificates of
26 indebtedness.

1 SECTION 5. All work done and all money
2 expended under authority of this act shall be
3 under the direction and supervision of the park
4 commissioners of the city of Boston.

1 SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon its
2 passage.

