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Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Jan. 27, 1905.

The committee on Metropolitan Affairs, to whom was referred the second annual report of Charles River Basin Commissioners (Public Document No. 71), report, in part, the accompanying bill.

For the committee,

MARCH G. BENNETT.

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Five.

### AN ACT

To authorize the Charles River Basin Commission to construct a Temporary Highway Bridge over the Charles River.

*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. Section three of chapter four  
2 hundred sixty-five of the acts of the year nineteen  
3 hundred and three is hereby amended by insert-  
4 ing after the word "commission," in the eighth  
5 line thereof, the following:—The commission  
6 may construct or otherwise provide a temporary  
7 highway bridge and approaches thereto for the  
8 use of teams and pedestrians during the con-  
9 struction of the dam, — so as to read as follows:—  
10 *Section 3.* The commission shall construct  
11 across Charles river between the cities of Boston  
12 and Cambridge, a dam, at least sufficiently high  
13 to hold back all tides and to maintain in the basin  
14 above the dam a substantially permanent water

15 level not less than eight feet above Boston base.  
16 The dam shall occupy substantially the site of the  
17 present Craigie bridge, which shall be removed  
18 by the commission. The commission may con-  
19 struct or otherwise provide a temporary highway  
20 bridge and approaches thereto for the use of  
21 teams and pedestrians during the construction  
22 of the dam. The dam shall be not less than one  
23 hundred feet in width at said water level, and a  
24 part thereof shall be a highway and the remainder  
25 shall be a highway, or a park or parkway, as the  
26 commission shall determine. The dam shall be  
27 furnished with a lock not less than three hundred  
28 and fifty feet in length between the gates, forty  
29 feet in width and thirteen feet in depth below  
30 Boston base, and shall be built with a suitable  
31 drawbridge or drawbridges, wasteways and other  
32 appliances. The part of the dam used as a high-  
33 way shall be maintained and operated in the same  
34 manner as the Cambridge bridge, and under the  
35 laws now or hereafter in force relating to said  
36 bridge.

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

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Passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

JAMES W. KIMBALL, *Clerk.*

