

HOUSE No. 1361

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 25, 1925.

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the Bill to authorize the Metropolitan District Commission to construct a new bridge or bridges over the Charles River between the Larz Anderson Bridge and the Western Avenue Bridge (House, No. 1303), report recommending that the same ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor the accompanying bill.

For the committee,

BERT S. CURRIER.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-Five.

An Act to authorize the Metropolitan District Commission to construct a New Bridge or Bridges over the Charles River between the Larz Anderson Bridge and the Western Avenue Bridge.

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 metropolitan district commission is
2 hereby authorized to build and construct a new bridge
3 and approaches over the Charles river from the inter-
4 section of DeWolf street and Memorial Drive in Cam-
5 bridge to a suitable point on the opposite shore in
6 Boston, whenever funds for the purpose shall become
7 available by gift or otherwise under the provisions of
8 this act. Said bridge may be constructed without a
9 draw for the passage of vessels, provided, however, that
10 said bridge shall be constructed of masonry, in so far
11 as in the judgment of the commission the use thereof is
12 practicable, and in such manner that in the future it
13 may be widened into a bridge suitable for vehicles, and
14 shall be at least twelve feet above the ordinary level of
15 the water in the basin over the main ship channel
16 and the piers and other obstructions to the flow of the
17 river shall be constructed in such form and in such
18 places as the secretary of war of the United States shall
19 approve. Before any contract is let or construction com-
20 menced, the plans for said bridge shall be approved by
21 the mayors of Boston and Cambridge. The commission

22 may provide in said bridge for conduits, pipes and wires
23 for the transmission of heat, energy or otherwise and
24 may grant to private individuals and corporations suit-
25 able locations for such conduits, pipes and wires both on
26 the bridge and under the metropolitan parkways on both
27 sides of the river.

1 SECTION 2. The treasurer and receiver general is
2 hereby authorized to receive, hold, manage and invest
3 any funds given or bequeathed to him in trust by any
4 person or corporation upon such terms, conditions and
5 limitations consistent with this act as the donor may
6 impose for the purpose of enabling the metropolitan
7 district commission to carry out the provisions of this
8 act, and as shall be approved by the commission, and
9 the commission, whenever it shall deem it in the public
10 interest, may expend under authority of this act and of
11 any other act relating to the commission any such funds
12 in accordance with the terms, conditions and limitations
13 aforesaid.

1 SECTION 3. Upon the completion of said bridge,
2 the metropolitan district commission shall have in regard
3 to the same all the powers and authority conferred upon
4 said commission by chapter ninety-two of the General
5 Laws in respect to the care, control and maintenance of
6 reservations.

