
By Mr. Wojtkowski of Pittsfield, petition of Thomas C. Wojtkowski relative to the acquisition by the Department of Natural Resources of water rights, lake front property and land over which water flows for recreation, conservation and development purposes. Natural Resources.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Seven.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE ACQUISITION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES OF WATER RIGHTS, LAKE FRONT PROPERTY AND LAND OVER WHICH WATER FLOWS FOR RECREATION, CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT 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 3 of chapter 132A of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by striking out the first sentence, as amended by
3 chapter 656 of the acts of 1958, and inserting in place thereof
4 the following sentence:— The commissioner may, from time
5 to time within the limits of appropriations made therefor, ac-
6 quire for the commonwealth, by eminent domain under chapter
7 seventy-nine or by purchase, lease or otherwise, any lands suit-
8 able for purposes of conservation or recreation or develop-
9 ment, including water rights, lake front property, and land
10 over which water flows lying outside of the metropolitan parks
11 district, and may lay out and maintain such lands for such pur-
12 poses and erect and maintain such structures and other facili-
13 ties thereon as may be necessary to render such lands reason-
14 ably available and accessible therefor; provided, however, that
15 no land held in trust for public use shall be taken by eminent
16 domain.

