

SENATE No. 307.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

SENATE, May 22, 1889.

The Committee on Prisons, to whom was referred the Eleventh Annual Report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women, with the annual reports of the superintendent and other officers for the year ending Sept. 30, 1888, report the accompanying Bill.

For the Committee,

ALFRED S. FASSETT.

Messrs. F. T. BERRY, BRADY and NICHOLS, of the House, present and dissenting.

SENATE, May 24, 1889.

The Committee on the Treasury, to whom was committed the Senate Bill to authorize the purchase or taking of additional land for the Reformatory Prison for Women, report that the same ought to pass.

For the Committee,

HENRY J. HOSMER.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-nine.

AN ACT

To authorize the Purchase or Taking of Additional Land for the Reformatory Prison for Women.

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 commissioners of prisons are
2 hereby authorized in behalf of the Commonwealth
3 to purchase or otherwise take in fee, for the
4 purpose of protecting the interests of the reform-
5 atory prison for women, a lot of land now or
6 recently owned by Wellington H. Pratt; said
7 land being generally bounded and described as
8 follows:— Beginning at the point of intersection
9 of the lines of the land of said Pratt, of the land
10 of the William Leland heirs and of the land of
11 said prison, as shown upon a plan made from the
12 survey of C. T. Frost, and running about eight
13 hundred and seventeen feet in a northeasterly

14 direction upon the line of the land of said prison
15 to land of the Old Colony railroad; thence by
16 line of the Old Colony railroad land in a northerly
17 direction about three hundred and eighty-two
18 feet to line of land of said prison commonly
19 known as the Knowlton lot; thence by the line of
20 said Knowlton lot about six hundred and fifteen
21 feet in a northwesterly direction to a point upon
22 the line of said Knowlton lot; thence about four
23 hundred and thirty-seven feet in a southwesterly
24 direction to land of Clarissa Foster; thence by
25 boundary line between land of said Pratt and the
26 land of Clarissa Foster and the William Leland
27 heirs to the point of beginning,— or however
28 otherwise said lot may be bounded or described;
29 the area of the said land being seven hundred
30 three thousand three hundred and seventy-seven
31 and two-thirds square feet, as shown upon said
32 plan.

1 SECT. 2. The commissioners of prisons shall,
2 within sixty days from the time said land is taken,
3 file in the registry of deeds for the county of
4 Middlesex a description of said land as certain
5 as is required in an ordinary conveyance of land,
6 with a statement that the same is taken by author-
7 ity of this act, and the title to said land shall then
8 vest in the Commonwealth.

1 SECT. 3. The commissioners of prisons shall
2 have full power to settle by agreement or arbitra-
3 tion the amount to be paid to any person by

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4 reason of the taking of said land; and in case
5 a price shall not be fixed in the manner aforesaid,
6 said commissioners shall, within three months from
7 the date of taking, proceed to appraise the value
8 of said property and the value of every interest
9 therein as far as can be ascertained, and shall file
10 a statement of their findings with the treasurer
11 of the Commonwealth. . Any person aggrieved
12 by the findings of said commissioners may, upon
13 application within one year of the taking afore-
14 said, have a jury in the manner provided by law
15 in cases of highways.

1 SECT. 4. This act shall take effect upon its
2 passage.