

HOUSE No. 913.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-seven.

AN ACT

To provide for carrying out the Recommendations of the
Joint Board on the Improvement of 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. The metropolitan park commission is
2 hereby authorized to proceed to carry out the recommen-
3 dations relative to the improvement of Charles river made
4 to the general court in the year eighteen hundred and
5 ninety-four by the joint board upon the improvement of
6 Charles river, created by chapter four hundred and sev-
7 enty-five of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and
8 ninety-three, with the exception of such recommenda-
9 tions as relate to the Charles river dam. All filling of
10 flats in Charles river shall be made under the direction
11 and with the approval of the board of harbor and land
12 commissioners, subject to the provisions of chapter nine-
13 teen of the Public Statutes.

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1 SECT. 2. To meet the expenses that may be incurred
2 under the provisions of this act the treasurer and re-
3 ceiver-general is hereby authorized, under the direction
4 of the governor and council, to issue scrip or certificates
5 of indebtedness, in the name and on behalf of the Com-
6 monwealth, to such an amount as may be necessary,
7 redeemable on the first day of July in the year nineteen
8 hundred and six; said scrip or certificates of indebted-
9 ness shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four per
10 centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the first
11 days of January and July, at the treasury of the Com-
12 monwealth in Boston, and no part thereof shall be dis-
13 posed of at a price less than its par value. The treasurer
14 and receiver-general shall create a sinking fund for the
15 payment of the debt hereby authorized and shall pay
16 into said sinking fund the net premiums received from
17 the sale of scrip or certificates of indebtedness author-
18 ized by this act, and each year there shall be raised by
19 taxation and paid into said sinking fund such sums as
20 will with their accumulations extinguish the debt at
21 maturity; the amount of such sums shall be determined
22 by the treasurer and receiver-general.

1 SECT. 3. In taking any private property under the
2 provisions of this act the metropolitan park commission
3 shall proceed in the manner provided in chapter four
4 hundred and seven of the acts of the year eighteen hun-
5 dred and ninety-three establishing said commission; and
6 the provisions of said chapter and of acts in amendment
7 thereof and in addition thereto shall, so far as applicable,
8 apply to such takings and to the determination of dam-
9 ages therefor.

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

