

HOUSE No. 375.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 2, 1871.

The Committee on Harbors, to whom was referred the communication from the Harbor Commissioners relating to the improvements of navigation in the South Bay and the modification of its harbor lines, report the accompanying Bill.

Per order of the Committee,

S. W. HOPKINSON.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-One.

AN ACT

For the improvement of Navigation in South Bay and the modification of its Harbor Lines.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1 SECT. 1. The board of harbor commissioners is
2 hereby authorized to license any person to drive piles,
3 build a wharf, wall, pier or other structure in tide-
4 water on land and flats in that part of Boston harbor
5 called South Bay, or to fill such land and flats to such
6 harbor lines as the harbor commissioners shall fix and
7 determine, subject to the approval of the governor and
8 council, any existing harbor lines on South Bay to the
9 contrary notwithstanding: *provided, however,* that no
10 person shall drive any piles, build a wharf, wall,
11 pier, or other structure or do any filling in tide-water
12 on such land and flats, except in accordance with the

13 terms of such license and subject to the provisions of
14 section four of chapter one hundred and forty-nine of
15 the acts of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-six
16 and of chapter four hundred and thirty-two of the
17 acts of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-nine; and
18 *provided, further*, that any lines fixed and determined
19 by the board of harbor commissioners as aforesaid
20 shall be so fixed and determined as in the judgment
21 of said board and the governor and council will pre-
22 serve substantially the present tidal volume of South
23 bay outside of existing harbor lines and best subserve
24 the interests of navigation therein.

1 SECT. 2. The said board of commissioners is hereby
2 empowered to authorize any person at his own ex-
3 pense to dredge material out of South Bay within
4 such limits as may be designated by the board.

1 SECT. 3. This act shall take effect upon its pas-
2 sage.

