

HOUSE . . . . . No. 411.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 16, 1887.

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the petition of Samuel Winslow, mayor of Worcester, for leave to acquire certain land belonging to the State for a public park, report the accompanying Bill.

For the Committee,

T. G. KENT.

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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

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### AN ACT

To authorize the City of Worcester to use and occupy Certain Land belonging to the Commonwealth for a Public Park.

*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 city of Worcester is hereby  
2 granted the right to hold, occupy and control,  
3 free of rent or charge by the Commonwealth, all  
4 the land belonging to the Commonwealth in said  
5 city which lies between Shrewsbury street, a  
6 public highway, and East Shelby street, so called,  
7 a street laid out by said Commonwealth over its  
8 land, containing twelve acres, more or less, for the  
9 purpose of constructing and maintaining a public  
10 park.

1 SECT. 2. The said city of Worcester, by its  
2 board of park commissioners, shall, within two  
3 years from the passage of this act, lay out and  
4 establish a public park over all said land, by

5 suitable filling, grading and draining, and by  
6 suitable cultivation and ornamentation for the  
7 uses of said park; and shall thereafter keep and  
8 maintain said grounds in a neat and ornamental  
9 condition.

1    SECT. 3. While this act is in force the trustees  
2 of the State Lunatic Hospital at Worcester shall  
3 not sell any portion of the land above described  
4 under the provisions of section four of chapter  
5 two hundred and thirty-eight of the acts of the  
6 year eighteen hundred and seventy.

1    SECT. 4. The board of park commissioners of  
2 the city of Worcester shall have the same powers  
3 and authority with reference to said land as it  
4 now has with reference to other parks laid out in  
5 said city, except the power to assess betterments  
6 accruing to real estate by locating and laying  
7 out said land as a public park.

1    SECT. 5. After said land is so laid out as a  
2 public park the said city is hereby authorized to  
3 raise, appropriate and expend such sums as it  
4 may deem best for the improvement of said park,  
5 subject to the laws of this Commonwealth limiting  
6 municipal indebtedness.

1    SECT. 6. This act shall take effect upon its  
2 passage.

