

HOUSE No. 1386

Bill accompanying the petition of Charles A. Ufford for legislation to provide for improving passenger and freight transportation in the cities of Boston and Quincy and the towns of Milton and Hyde Park and for the relocation of the station of the Old Colony Railroad at Mattapan in the city of Boston. Railroads. January 19.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eleven.

AN ACT

To authorize the Old Colony Railroad Company to construct and maintain a Connection of the Railroad between the Shawmut Branch at Mattapan in the City of Boston and the Midland Division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company's Tracks at or near Rugby Station in said City.

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 Old Colony Railroad Company is
2 hereby authorized to locate, to construct forthwith, and
3 to maintain an extension of its railroad between Shawmut
4 branch at Mattapan in the city of Boston, and a connec-
5 tion near Rugby station, on the Midland division of the
6 New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company
7 by elevated tracks over Blue Hill avenue, the metropolitan
8 park reservation, and the Neponset river in the town of

9 Milton and the city of Boston, and over any other public
10 lands and streets, and for this purpose to take such land
11 and in such manner as the board of railroad commissioners
12 may, after a public hearing, approve and prescribe.

1 SECTION 2. The New York, New Haven and Hart-
2 ford Railroad Company, lessees of the Old Colony Rail-
3 road Company, are hereby authorized to remove the
4 present railroad station at Mattapan to such a location
5 across the Neponset river in the town of Milton as the
6 railroad and park commission may, after a public hear-
7 ing, fix and prescribe.

1 SECTION 3. The existing railroad bridge, across the
2 Neponset river at Mattapan and the approaches thereto,
3 shall, upon the removal of the railroad station to its new
4 location, be conveyed free to the city of Boston and the
5 town of Milton and hereafter used and maintained as a
6 public thoroughfare.

1 SECTION 4. The street railway companies now occu-
2 pying tracks in Mattapan square, shall, within two years,
3 locate terminals adjacent to the new Mattapan railroad
4 station to the east of Blue Hill avenue boulevard, subject
5 to the written approval of the metropolitan park com-
6 mission and the railroad commissioners.

1 SECTION 5. The Old Colony Railroad Company shall
2 pay all damages caused by the laying out, making and
3 maintaining of said railroad, or by taking land or ma-
4 terials therefor; and, such damages shall be secured and
5 recovered in the manner provided by the general laws
6 for the recovery of damages caused by the laying out,
7 making and maintaining of railroads.

1 SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon its passage.