

SENATE No. 1265

By Mr. Lewis, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1265) of Arthur Joseph Lewis, Jr., for legislation to authorize and direct the Metropolitan District Commission to acquire the George Wright Golf Course. Urban Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-eight.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION TO ACQUIRE THE GEORGE WRIGHT GOLF COURSE.

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 district commission is hereby
2 authorized and directed to negotiate with the city of Boston,
3 and may enter into an agreement, approved as to form by the
4 attorney general, to acquire for conservation, scenic and ac-
5 tive recreational purposes, approximately 158.5 acres of land,
6 known as the George Wright golf course in the Roslindale sec-
7 tion of the city of Boston.

1 SECTION 2. To meet the expenditures necessary in carrying
2 out the provisions of section one, the state treasurer shall, upon
3 request of the governor, issue and sell at public or private sale
4 bonds of the commonwealth, registered or with interest cou-
5 pons attached, as he may deem best, to an amount specified by
6 the governor from time to time, but not exceeding, in the ag-
7 gregate, the sum of two million dollars. All bonds issued by
8 the commonwealth, as aforesaid, shall be on the serial pay-
9 ment plan for such maximum term of years, not exceeding
10 twenty years, as the governor may recommend to the general
11 court pursuant to Section 3 of Article LXII of the Amend-
12 ments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth, the matur-
13 ities thereof to be so arranged that the amounts payable in
14 the several years of the period of amortization, other than the
15 final year, shall be as nearly equal as in the opinion of the

16 state treasurer it is practicable to make them. Said bonds shall
17 bear interest semi-annually at such rate as the state treasurer,
18 with the approval of the governor, shall fix. The initial ma-
19 turities of such bonds shall be payable not later than one
20 year from the date of issue thereof and the entire issue not
21 later than June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and ninety-nine.
22 All interest payments and payments on account of principal
23 of such bonds shall be paid from the metropolitan parks dis-
24 trict fund to be assessed by methods fixed by law.

1 SECTION 3. The metropolitan district commission is hereby
2 authorized to accept funds from public and private sources
3 and may make application for federal and state assistance in
4 carrying out the projects authorized by this act. Any such
5 funds or assistance made available to the metropolitan district
6 commission for the projects authorized by this act shall, if the
7 bonds have not been sold, be used to reduce the amount of the
8 bonds so authorized, and if the bonds have been sold, said
9 funds or assistance when received shall be used to meet the
10 payment of maturities and interest on the bonds issued under
11 this act.