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Chapter 138, P&S 1973- Acquisition of Real Property for State Parks

This is in response to your memo of May 23, 1974, inquiring whether lands acquired with funds from the sale of bonds pursuant to Chapter 138 of the Private and Special Laws of 1973 could be used in State-Municipal recreational facilities along the lines presently established by agreement between the Town of Lisbon and the State.

The foregoing Private and Special enactment recites that the purpose for which the bond proceeds may be used is the "acquisition of real property." In addition, the title and first paragraph of the law refer merely to "parks."

It is my opinion, based upon the foregoing, that lands acquired with such bond proceeds are under the general supervision and control of the Bureau of Parks and Recreation and subject to the general laws applicable to all lands under the jurisdiction of that Bureau. The same statutory authority which enabled the Bureau to enter into the agreement with the Town of Lisbon concerning the land which is the subject of that agreement would authorize similar use for similar purposes with other municipalities of lands acquired with bond proceeds.

Let me know if I can be of further assistance.

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