

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1115

H. P. 825 House of Representatives, February 24, 1971 Referred to Committee on State Government. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk Presented by Mr. Littlefield of North Berwick.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Requiring Public Hearings by the Park and Recreation Commission Prior to the Exercise of Eminent Domain.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., T. 12, § 602, sub-§ 1, amended. Subsection 1 of section 602 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

Prior to the exercise of any eminent domain power, the commission shall notify the owners of any lands proposed to be acquired and shall afford such landowners with the opportunity of a public hearing to testify as to the necessity and propriety of taking such lands.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to give landowners whose land is proposed to be acquired by the Park and Recreation Commission an opportunity for a public hearing to express their feelings on the necessity of such land acquisition for public park purposes.