

NEW DRAFT.

## Seventieth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 289

## STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND ONE.

AN ACT to amend section fifty-five of chapter three of the Revised Statutes relating to the taking of lands for public parks and squares.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

Section 55 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes is hereby 2 amended by striking out the word "or" in the seventh line 3 thereof and inserting after the word "squares" in said 4 seventh line the words 'or a public library building,' so 5 that said section, as amended, will read as follows:

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'Sect. 55. Any town or city, containing more than one 7 thousand inhabitants, upon petition in writing signed by 8 at least thirty of its tax-paying citizens, directed to the 9 municipal officers, describing the land to be taken as here-10 inafter provided, and the names of the owners thereof, so 11 far as they are known, at a meeting of such town, or of 12 the mayor, aldermen and council of such city, may direct 13 such municipal officers to take suitable lands for public 14 parks, squares or a public library building; and there-15 upon such officers may take such land for such purpose, 16 but not without consent of the owner, if at the time of 17 filing such petition, with such officers, or in the office of 18 the clerk of such town or city, such land is occupied by a 19 dwelling house wherein the owner or his family reside.'

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AUGUSTA, March 6, 1901.

Reported by Mr.1WEBB of Portland, from Committee on the Judiciary, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.