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S. P. 238 In Senate, February 12, 1957. Referred to the Committee on Judiciary, sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary Presented by Senator Butler of Franklin.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Enlarging Public Cemeteries.

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

R. S., c. 58, § 9, amended. Section 9 of chapter 58 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 9. Public cemetery enlarged. The municipal officers of any town may on petition of 10 voters enlarge any public cemetery or burying ground or incorporated cemetery or burying ground within their town by taking land of adjacent owners, to be paid for by the town or otherwise as the municipal officers may direct, when in their judgment public necessity requires it.; provided that the The limits thereof shall not be extended nearer any improved land used for recreational purposes or dwelling house or well, from which the water is used for domestic purposes, than 25 rods, against the written protest of the owner made to said officers at the time of the hearing on said petition. Nor shall any person, corporation or association establish, locate or enlarge any cemetery or burying ground by selling or otherwise disposing of land so that the limits thereof shall be extended nearer any improved land used for recreational purposes or dwelling house or well than 25 rods against the written protest of the owner .- , provided that nothing Nothing in the provisions of this section shall prohibit the sale or disposition of lots within the limits of any existing cemetery or burying ground, nor the extension thereof away from any improved land used for recreational purposes or dwelling house or well.'