

## No. 556

## AN ACT

Authorizing the Water and Power Resources Board to make a survey and investigation to determine to what extent the beds of rivers, lakes, and streams, title to which is in the Commonwealth, have been and are occupied or encroached upon; and making an appropriation.

WHEREAS, Land in whole or in part owned by the Commonwealth, has been and is occupied by divers persons and corporations; and

WHEREAS, Under existing laws it is unlawful to so occupy such land; and

WHEREAS, A survey and investigation should be made to determine where such occupancy exists, and the value of Commonwealth owned land so occupied, and to determine upon reasonable rental values for such land heretofore and hereafter so occupied; therefore,

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the Water and Power Resources Board is hereby authorized and directed to make a survey and investigation to determine to what extent the beds of rivers, lakes, and streams, title to which is in whole or in part in the Commonwealth, have been and are occupied by fills, wharves, docks, piers, and other obstructions as defined in the act, approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (Pamphlet Laws, five hundred fifty-five).

Survey and investigation by Water and Power Resources Board.

Section 2. The sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby specifically appropriated to the Water and Power Resources Board for the payment of the salary, compensation, and wages of engineers, experts, clerks, assistants, and employes deemed necessary in making the investigation and survey authorized by this act; for the payment of postage, traveling expenses, mileage charges to the Department of Property and Supplies for the use of automobiles, telephone toll charges, telegrams, expenses of operating and maintaining automobiles and other motor equipment; for printing, and for the\* all other incidental expenses necessary for carrying into effect the provisions of this act.

\$50,000. appropriated.

\* In the original.

APPROVED—The 2d day of July, A. D. 1937.

GEORGE H. EARLE