

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 4707

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand Ten  
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An Act to reorganize the board of the Commonwealth Zoological Corporation..

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1           SECTION 1. Section 2 of chapter 92B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
2   Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the fourth and fifth paragraphs and inserting  
3   in place thereof the following paragraphs:-

4           The corporation shall be governed and its corporate powers exercised by a board, which  
5   shall consist of 30 members appointed in the following manner: 2 members shall be appointed by  
6   the governor and serve at the pleasure of the governor; 1 member shall be appointed by the  
7   mayor of Boston and serve at the pleasure of the mayor; and 27 members shall be appointed by  
8   the board.

9           Members shall serve for 4 years and shall be eligible for reappointment. A person  
10   appointed to fill a vacancy on the board shall be appointed in a like manner and shall serve for  
11   the unexpired term. A member may be removed by the board for cause. All members of the  
12   board shall exercise full and equal voting privileges.

13           SECTION 2. Said section 2 of said chapter 92B, as so appearing, is hereby further  
14 amended by striking out, in line 34, the words “Seven board members” and inserting in place  
15 thereof the words:- Half of the board members serving at any time.

16           SECTION 3. The seventh paragraph of said section 2 of said chapter 92B, as so  
17 appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place  
18 thereof the following sentence:- The board shall elect one of its members to serve as the  
19 chairman of the board.

20           SECTION 4. Said section 2 of said chapter 92B, as so appearing, is hereby further  
21 amended by striking out, in line 42, the words “once a month” and inserting in place thereof the  
22 words:- 6 times a year.

23           SECTION 5. Section 5 of said chapter 92B, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
24 striking out, in lines 9 to 11, inclusive, the words “provided, however, that the disposal of any  
25 property shall be subject to the approval of the executive director;”.

26           SECTION 6. Said section 5 of said chapter 92B, as so appearing, is hereby further  
27 amended by striking out, in line 57, the words “shall require the written concurrence of the  
28 director;” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- shall require written notice to the  
29 director of the Massachusetts office of travel and tourism.

30           SECTION 7. Subsection (b) of section 6 of said chapter 92B, as so appearing, is hereby  
31 amended by striking out the second sentence.

32           SECTION 8. Section 9 of said chapter 92B, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
33 striking out, in line 4, the words “consult with” and inserting in place thereof the word:- inform.

SECTION 9. Section 11 of said chapter 92B, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:-

The zoos shall continue to be known as the Franklin Park Zoo and the Walter D. Stone Memorial Zoo; provided, however, that the corporation may also offer sponsor naming rights, so-called, to the zoos or exhibits within the zoos and may add sponsor names to the existing names of the zoos or exhibits.

SECTION 10. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the current board members of the Commonwealth Zoological Corporation, established in chapter 92B, shall appoint the additional board members needed to increase the board to 27 members, as provided for pursuant to this act. Of the board appointments made under this act, an initial 9 members shall serve for a term of 2 years, 9 members shall serve for 3 years and 9 members shall serve for 4 years.

The current board members shall serve until the expiration of their term or December 31, 2011, whichever is later.