

HOUSE No. 4707

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Ten

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.

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

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

40 SECTION 10. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the current
41 board members of the Commonwealth Zoological Corporation, established in chapter 92B, shall
42 appoint the additional board members needed to increase the board to 27 members, as provided
43 for pursuant to this act. Of the board appointments made under this act, an initial 9 members
44 shall serve for a term of 2 years, 9 members shall serve for 3 years and 9 members shall serve for
45 4 years.

46 The current board members shall serve until the expiration of their term or December 31,
47 2011, whichever is later.