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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Paul J. Donato***

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act authorizing the division of capital asset management and maintenance to lease the LoConte Memorial Rink to the city of Medford.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Paul J. Donato</i>	<i>35th Middlesex</i>	<i>5/7/2026</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>	<i>5/7/2026</i>

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**

An Act authorizing the division of capital asset management and maintenance to lease the LoConte Memorial Rink to the city of Medford.

*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to forthwith authorize the lease the parcel of land with the LoConte Memorial Rink thereon to the city of Medford, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

*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. Notwithstanding sections 32 to 37, inclusive, of chapter 7C of the General  
2 Laws, section 52 of chapter 206 of the acts of 2024 or any other general or special law to the  
3 contrary, the division of capital asset management and maintenance, in consultation with the  
4 department of conversation and recreation, may lease to the city of Medford for a term of up to  
5 30 years, including any extensions, the parcel of land described in section 2 and the ice skating  
6 rink thereon to the city of Medford for recreational purposes.

7           SECTION 2. The parcel of land with the LoConte Memorial Rink to be leased pursuant  
8 to section 1 is located at 97 Locust Street in the city of Medford and contains 1.44 acres, more or  
9 less.

10 SECTION 3. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the lease shall:  
11 (i) be on such terms and conditions as the commissioner of the division of capital asset  
12 management and maintenance, in consultation with the department of conservation and  
13 recreation, deems advisable; and (ii) provide for the city of Medford to operate, manage,  
14 maintain and repair the property, which costs shall be taken into account as part of the  
15 consideration of the lease.

16 SECTION 4. If the property ceases to be used for said purposes, except for period of  
17 repair or rehabilitation, the commissioner of the division of capital asset management and  
18 maintenance shall terminate the lease and the property shall revert to the commonwealth under  
19 the care and control of the department of conservation and recreation.

20 SECTION 5. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the city of  
21 Medford shall be responsible for half of the costs and expenses of the lease of the parcel of land  
22 described in section 2 as determined by the commissioner of capital asset management and  
23 maintenance, which may include, but not limited to, the costs of any engineering, surveys and  
24 recording fees related to the lease of said parcel to the city of Medford.