



- 1 Introduced by Mr. Woods, February 13, 1934.
- 2 Read by title, ordered printed, and read a first time and ordered to second reading.

A BILL

For an Act to amend Section 1 and the title of "An Act in relation to World's Fairs", approved July 2, 1931, as amended.

WHEREAS, There has been conducted during the year 1933 a World's Fair and International Exposition celebrating and commemorating the centennial of the incorporation of the City of Chicago as a municipality, which has greatly contributed to the education, scientific enlightenment, recreation and entertainment and to the furtherance of the financial and commercial interests of the people of the State of Illinois and of the United States and, in a period of serious depression, has added immeasurable impetus to the recovery of the State and of the United States; and

WHEREAS, It has been demonstrated and is recognized by the Legislature of the State of Illinois that the creation and conduct of World's Fairs, as hereafter defined, would be of great educational value to the people of the State of Illinois and of the nation at large, would aid in the creation and maintenance of public courage and confidence, would further advance such recovery of State and nation, serves other desirable and useful public purposes and should continue

to have the support and cooperation of all the people of the State of Illinois, and that necessary and desirable legislation should be enacted by the Legislature of the State of Illinois in aid of the successful holding of such World's Fairs; now therefore,

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of "An Act in relation to World's Fairs", approved July 2, 1931, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1. *The phrase "World's Fair", as used in this Act means a fair or exposition portraying the advancements in any one or more of the following, namely, the arts, sciences, industry, agriculture, drama and sport, in which the government of the United States, or of the State of Illinois, or of any other state or any territory of the United States shall participate. Any corporation organized under the laws of the State of Illinois (not for profit) having the charge and management of any World's Fair or Fairs is hereby authorized to use and occupy, for the duration of any such World's Fair, all submerged and other lands of the State of Illinois, which may be designated and selected by any such corporation (not for profit) as the site or sites for the holding of any such World's Fair, together with all rights therein and improvements thereon located, within the present limits of any city in the State of Illinois then having a population in excess of three hundred thousand (300,000) inhabitants; provided, however, that in case the site or sites for the holding of any such World's Fair, as finally located and fixed by any such corporation (not for profit) shall include any submerged or other lands (with or without improvements) the title to or control of which is in any municipal corporation organized for public park purposes, then and in that event the use and occupation of such lands, and improvements, if any, for the purposes of any such World's Fair, shall be conditioned upon the consent and approval of the corporate authorities of any such municipal corporation. Authority is hereby granted to the corporate authorities of any such municipal corporation to allow the use and occupation of the site or sites selected, with improvements, if any, for the purposes of any such*

26 World's Fair, upon such terms and conditions, including admission fees to be
27 charged at any or all times for the admission of any or all persons to any such
28 World's Fair, during the period thereof, as may be agreed upon between the cor-
29 porate authorities of such munciipal corporation and any such corporation (not
30 for profit), notwithstanding any other provision of law; provided further, that
31 in case the site or sites for the holding of any such World's Fair, as finally
32 located and fixed by any such corporation (not for profit) shall include any
33 submerged or other lands (with or without improvements) the title to or con-
34 trol of which is in any incorporated city in the State of Illinois having at that
35 time a population in excess of three hundred thousand (300,000) inhabitants,
36 then and in that event the use and occupation of such lands, and improvements
37 if any, for the purposes of any such World's Fair, shall be conditioned upon
38 the consent and approval of the corporate authorities of such incorporated city.
39 Authority is hereby granted to the corporate authorities of any such incor-
40 porated city to allow the use and occupation of the site or sites selected, with
41 improvements if any, for the purposes of any such World's Fair, upon such
42 terms and conditions including admission fees to be charged at any or all times
43 for the admission of any or all persons to any such World's Fair, during the
44 period thereof, as may be agreed upon between the corporate authorities of
45 such incorporated city and any such corporation (not for profit), notwithstand-
46 ing any other provision of law. *The holding of any such World's Fair in any*
47 *public park is hereby declared to be a public and park purpose, and the use and*
48 *occupation of any public park, or any part thereof, by any such World's Fair,*
49 *pursuant to the authority conferred by this or any other Act, is hereby declared*
50 *to be a public purpose, and notwithstanding the imposition of admission fees to*
51 *any such World's Fair, as authorized by this Act.*

52 In the event that there shall be located on the site or sites selected by such
53 corporation (not for profit), any museum, aquarium or planetarium operated or
54 maintained in whole or in part by any corporation, society or individual under
55 contract or declaration of trust, the use and occupation of such museum, aquari-
56 um or planetarium for the purposes of such World's Fair, and the enclosing of
57 such museum, aquarium or planetarium with the fence enclosing the grounds of

58 such World's Fair, shall be further conditioned on the consent of the corpora-
 59 tion, society or individual so operating or maintaining such museum, aquarium
 60 or planetarium, which consent may include permission to such corporation (not
 61 for profit) having charge and management of such World's Fair to include
 62 such museum, aquarium and planetarium within the fence enclosing the grounds
 63 of such World's Fair for the period during which such World's Fair may be op-
 64 ened to the public, but not exceeding [one year] *two years*, during which period
 65 such corporation (not for profit) may admit the public to such museum, aquari-
 66 um or planetarium, only upon the payment to such corporation (not for profit)
 67 of the admission fees charged for admission to the grounds of such World's
 68 Fair and the payment of such other admission fees to such museum, aquarium
 69 or planetarium as may be agreed upon between such corporation (not for profit)
 70 and the corporation, society or individual operating or maintaining such muse-
 71 um, aquarium or planetarium.

72 The use and occupation of the site or sites for *any* such World's Fair here-
 73 by authorized shall not continue longer than one year after the *final* close of
 74 any such World's Fair. *Any such World's Fair constructed, conducted and/or*
 75 *operated pursuant to the authority conferred by this Act shall close on or be-*
 76 *fore December 1, 1934.*

Sec. 2. The title of said Act is amended to read as follows: "An Act in
 2 relation to World's Fairs in public parks".

Sec. 3. Inasmuch as it is important and necessary that preparation for the
 2 holding of one or more World's Fairs after the year 1933 should be proceeded
 3 with at once, it is therefore declared that an emergency exists, and that this Act
 4 shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.