

SENATE....No. 204.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

IN SENATE, April 22, 1868.

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was committed the Bill concerning the Worcester Fire Department, have examined the same, and report the Bill ought to pass.

Per order,

S. W. BOWERMAN, *Chairman.*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty-
Eight.

AN ACT

Concerning the Fire Department of the City of Worcester.

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

1 SECT. 1. The city council of the city of Worcester
2 is hereby authorized to establish a fire department for
3 said city, to consist of as many engineers, officers,
4 engine-men and members as the city council, by ordi-
5 nance, shall from time to time prescribe.

1 SECT. 2. The city council shall have authority to
2 make such provisions in regard to the time and mode
3 of appointment, and the occasion and manner of the
4 removal of either officers or members; to make such
5 requisitions in respect to their qualifications and
6 period of service; to define their office and duty; to
7 fix and provide for the payment of their compensa-

8 tion; and, generally, to make such regulations in
9 regard to their conduct and government, and to the
10 management and conduct of fires and persons attend-
11 ing at fires, subject to penalties to be prescribed by
12 ordinance, as they shall deem expedient: *provided*,
13 said ordinances be not repugnant to the laws of the
14 Commonwealth; and *provided, also*, that the appoint-
15 ment of engine-men, hose-men, hook and ladder men
16 shall be made by the mayor and aldermen.

1 SECT. 3. The powers and duties conferred and
2 imposed by this act may be carried into effect by the
3 city council in any manner they may prescribe, and
4 through the agency of any person or board to whom
5 they may delegate the same.

1 SECT. 4. The act entitled "An Act to establish a
2 Fire Department in the Town of Worcester," passed
3 on the twenty-sixth day of February, in the year
4 eighteen hundred and thirty-five, and all other acts
5 and parts of acts in addition thereto, are hereby
6 repealed.

1 SECT. 5. This act shall take effect upon its pas-
2 sage; but it shall not operate upon existing laws and
3 ordinances relating to the fire department of the city
4 of Worcester, until it shall have been adopted by the
5 city council thereof, and until said council shall have
6 passed an ordinance establishing a fire department
7 for said city under the authority of this act.

