

HOUSE No. 686.

[Bill accompanying the petition of the President of the School Committee of the city of Boston. Cities.]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-eight.

AN ACT

To exempt School Houses from certain Provisions of the Act relative to the Erection of Buildings in the City of Boston.

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 fifty-five of chapter four
2 hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year
3 eighteen hundred and ninety-two, as amended by
4 chapter two hundred and eighty of the acts of the
5 year eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby
6 amended by inserting after the words "office
7 floors" in the seventh line the words "and floors
8 of school houses," and inserting after the words
9 "public buildings" in the eighth line the words

10 "except school houses," so that the said section
11 shall read as follows:—

12 *Section 55.* All new or renewed floors shall be
13 so constructed as to carry safely the weight to
14 which the proposed use of the building will sub-
15 ject them, and every permit granted shall state
16 for what purpose the building is designed to be
17 used; but the least capacity per superficial square
18 foot, exclusive of materials, shall be: For floors
19 of dwellings, fifty pounds. For office floors and
20 floors of school houses, one hundred pounds. For
21 floors of public buildings except school houses, one
22 hundred and fifty pounds. For store floors, floors
23 of warehouses and mercantile buildings of like
24 character, drill rooms and riding schools, at least
25 two hundred and fifty pounds. The weight for
26 floors not included in this classification, shall be
27 determined by said inspector, subject to appeal as
28 provided by law.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its
2 passage.

