

# HOUSE . . . . No. 236

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By Mr. Taylor of Fall River, petition of Clinton R. Padelford and others relative to records of civil service employees in connection with evidence in actions at law or in equity in the courts of the Commonwealth. Civil Service.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Three.

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO COMPLETE AND ACCURATE RECORDS OF CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYMENTS AND TO SUCH RECORDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF EVIDENCE IN ACTIONS AT LAW, OR IN EQUITY, IN ANY COURT IN THE JUDICIAL BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT.

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

1 Chapter thirty-one, section two A (f), of the Gen-  
2 eral Laws (Tercentenary Edition), is hereby amended  
3 by adding thereto the following:— provided, that  
4 such records shall be true and accurate copies of the  
5 official records relating to each officer and employee  
6 in his or her employments in each city, town, district  
7 and state department, and divisions of departments,  
8 wherein such officer or employee now is, or formerly  
9 was, employed in public service under the provisions  
10 of chapter nineteen of the Revised Laws, as amended;  
11 chapter thirteen of the General Laws, as amended;

12 and chapter thirty-one of the General Laws, as  
13 amended; and further provided, that where the pres-  
14 ent records of the civil service commission and of the  
15 director of civil service (as provided for in sections  
16 two and two A respectively of chapter thirty-one)  
17 have accrued since the establishment of civil service  
18 laws, rules and regulations and are in conflict with  
19 said records of employment in each city, town, dis-  
20 trict and state department, the latter shall prevail as  
21 prima facie evidence of employments in all actions at  
22 law, or in equity, now susceptible to review or appeal,  
23 or hereafter brought, in any court of the judicial  
24 branch of government:— so that section two A (f)  
25 shall read as follows:— (f) Keep complete and accu-  
26 rate records of all examinations held and of all eli-  
27 gible lists established and of all persons certified for  
28 appointment, and of all provisional and temporary  
29 appointments made to public positions and employ-  
30 ments in the classified service; provided, that such  
31 records shall be true and accurate copies of the official  
32 records relating to each officer and employee in his  
33 or her employments in each city, town, district and  
34 state department, and divisions of departments,  
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