

HOUSE No. 814

By Messrs. Clark of Gloucester and Crockett of Upton, petition of the Massachusetts Associated Retirement Boards for legislation to further regulate the retirement of certain veterans. Pensions and Old Age Assistance.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE RETIREMENT OF CERTAIN VETERANS.

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 56 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as
2 most recently amended by section 1 of chapter 453
3 of the acts of 1947, is hereby further amended by
4 striking out the first paragraph and inserting in place
5 thereof the following:—

6 A person who is a veteran as defined in section one,
7 and who is in the service of the commonwealth or of
8 any county, city, town or district, shall be retired as
9 incapacitated for active service at two thirds of the
10 highest regular rate of compensation, including the
11 amount for maintenance, payable to him while he
12 was holding the grade held by him at his retirement,
13 and payable from the same source; provided that
14 he has been in the said service at least fifteen years,

15 has reached the age of fifty, and has a total income
16 from all sources, exclusive of such retirement allowance
17 and of any sum received from the government of
18 the United States as pension for war service not ex-
19 ceeding one thousand dollars.