

# HOUSE . . . . No. 1845

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By Mr. Folsom of Lynn, petition of Norman E. Folsom for legislation to provide that pensions payable to former police officers and firemen shall be paid to their widows in certain cases. Pensions and Old Age Assistance.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

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AN ACT PROVIDING THAT PENSIONS PAYABLE TO FORMER POLICE OFFICERS AND FIREMEN SHALL, UPON THEIR DECEASE, BE PAID TO THEIR WIDOWS IN CERTAIN CASES.

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

1 The pension payable to any former police officer or  
2 fireman of a city or town, who shall have been re-  
3 tired under the provisions of a retirement system of  
4 such city or town, or under the provisions of a special  
5 law, shall, upon his decease, be paid to his widow so  
6 long as she remains unmarried; provided, that she  
7 was married to him more than ten years prior to his  
8 retirement, and was not living apart from him during  
9 said period.

Resolved, That the sum of \$100,000 be appropriated for the purchase of land for the establishment of a national observatory at the site of the old fort of Mifflin, in the State of Pennsylvania.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE LAND OFFICE

IN RESPONSE TO A RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, MARCH 10, 1843.

The first object of the present report is to give an account of the progress of the survey of the land reserved for the establishment of a national observatory at the site of the old fort of Mifflin, in the State of Pennsylvania.

It is gratifying to find that the progress of the survey has been so far advanced, and that the results are so satisfactory, as to justify the hope that the observatory will be established at the site of the old fort of Mifflin.

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