

HOUSE No. 2143

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, February 15, 1949.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom was referred the bill further regulating the hours of duty of members of fire department of the city of Taunton (House, No. 1253), report recommending that the same be amended by the substitution of the accompanying bill (House, No. 2143).

For the committee,

PHILIP A. CHAPMAN.

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE HOURS OF DUTY OF PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IN THE CITY OF TAUNTON.

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. The hours of duty of the permanent
2 members of the uniformed fire fighting force in the city
3 of Taunton, upon its acceptance of this act as herein-
4 after provided, shall be so established by the mayor
5 and city council that the average weekly hours of
6 duty in any year, other than hours during which such
7 members may be summoned and kept on duty because
8 of conflagrations, shall not exceed fifty-six in number.
9 Sections fifty-six, fifty-seven, fifty-eight A and fifty-
10 nine of chapter forty-eight of the General Laws shall
11 not apply to the permanent members of the uniformed
12 fire fighting force in said city.

1 SECTION 2. Upon petition of not less than ten per
2 cent of the registered voters in said city, duly certified
3 by the registrars of voters and filed with the city clerk
4 not less than thirty days before any city election, the
5 city clerk shall cause to be printed upon the official
6 ballot to be used at such election the following ques-
7 tion: "Shall an act passed by the General Court in

8 the year nineteen hundred and forty-nine, providing
9 that the average weekly hours of duty in any year for
10 the permanent member of the uniformed fire fighting
11 force of this city, other than hours during which such
12 members may be summoned and kept on duty because
13 of conflagrations, shall not exceed fifty-six in number,
14 be accepted?". If a majority of the votes cast on
15 said question is in the affirmative, this act shall there-
16 upon take full effect in said city.

