

SENATE No. 171

To accompany the petition of Charles I. Taylor that provision be made for the establishment of a detective bureau in the police department of the city of Boston, and to adjust the compensation of certain police officers. Cities.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty.

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A DETECTIVE BUREAU IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF BOSTON, AND TO ADJUST THE COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN POLICE OFFICERS.

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. A detective bureau is hereby estab-
2 lished in the Boston police department, with the fol-
3 lowing grades:— lieutenant detective, sergeant de-
4 tective, first grade detective, second grade detective
5 and third grade detective. As soon as may be after
6 this act becomes fully effective, as provided in section
7 three, the police officers, including superior officers,
8 serving in the bureau of criminal investigation in the
9 police department of the city of Boston, and the
10 officers assigned to and carrying on criminal investi-
11 gation work in the divisions of said department, shall
12 be classified as detectives. The police commissioner
13 shall have the right to assign any of said detectives
14 to any division or department of the Boston police

15 department and they shall come under the supervision
16 of the superior officers of the division or department
17 to which they have been assigned. Police officers so
18 classified with the grade of lieutenant shall ipso facto
19 qualify for the grade of lieutenant detective, those
20 with the grade of sergeant shall ipso facto qualify for
21 the grade of sergeant detective. Patrolmen special
22 officers, so called, so classified who have performed
23 criminal investigation work for ten years or more shall
24 ipso facto qualify for rating as first grade detective.
25 Patrolmen who have performed such work for five
26 years or more, but less than ten years, shall ipso facto
27 qualify for second grade detective, and patrolmen
28 who have performed such work for less than five years
29 shall ipso facto qualify for third grade detective. Other
30 patrolmen shall qualify for third grade detective in
31 accordance with the provisions of chapter thirty-one
32 of the General Laws, except that the police commis-
33 sioner may promote to the grade of third grade de-
34 tective the regular patrolmen who have performed
35 extraordinary and outstanding service in line of duty
36 if he is of the opinion that such promotion is desirable
37 and in the best interests of the service. In making
38 such promotions, the requirements of said chapter
39 thirty-one need not be complied with.

1 SECTION 2. The members of the detective bureau
2 shall receive the following compensation: —

3 A lieutenant detective shall receive an annual com-
4 pensation of three hundred dollars in excess of the
5 salary received by a regular lieutenant.

6 A sergeant detective shall receive an annual com-
7 pensation of three hundred dollars in excess of salary
8 received by a regular sergeant.

9 A first grade detective shall receive an annual com-
10 pensation of five hundred dollars in excess of the max-
11 imum salary received by a regular patrolman.

12 A second grade detective shall receive an annual
13 compensation of four hundred dollars in excess of the
14 maximum salary received by a regular patrolman.

15 A third grade detective shall receive an annual com-
16 pensation of two hundred dollars in excess of the
17 maximum salary received by a regular patrolman.

1 SECTION 3. This act shall take full effect upon its
2 acceptance by vote of the city council of said city but
3 not otherwise.

