

SENATE No. 404

To accompany the petition of John G. Adair, selectman, and another, that the office of chief of police of the town of Norton be placed under the civil service laws. Civil Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE PLACING OF THE OFFICE OF CHIEF OF POLICE OF THE TOWN OF NORTON UNDER THE CIVIL SERVICE LAWS.

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 office of chief of police of the
2 town of Norton shall, upon the effective date of this
3 act, become subject to the civil service laws and
4 rules and regulations relating to police officers in
5 towns, and the tenure of office of any incumbent
6 thereof shall be unlimited, subject, however, to such
7 laws; provided, that Benjamin B. Scanlon, the
8 present incumbent of said office, may continue to
9 serve therein without taking a civil service exami-
10 nation.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted to the
2 voters of said town at the annual town meeting in the
3 current year in the form of the following question,

4 which shall be placed upon the official ballot to be
5 used for the election of town officers at said meeting:
6 “Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year
7 nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, entitled ‘An Act
8 to authorize the placing of the office of chief of police
9 of the town of Norton under the civil service laws,’
10 be accepted?” If a majority of the votes in answer
11 to said question is in the affirmative, then this act
12 shall thereupon take effect, but not otherwise.