

SENATE No. 163

To accompany the petition of Eugene B. Fraser that provision be made for the retirement of certain employees of cities and towns after thirty years of service. Pensions and Municipal Finance, sitting jointly.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE RETIREMENT OF CERTAIN
EMPLOYEES OF CITIES AND TOWNS AFTER THIRTY YEARS
OF SERVICE.

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 twenty-nine of chapter thirty-two of the
2 General Laws, as appearing in section one of chapter
3 three hundred and eighteen of the acts of nineteen
4 hundred and thirty-six, is hereby amended by insert-
5 ing after the word "sixty" in the second line the
6 words: — or who has completed thirty years of credit-
7 able service, — so that the paragraph (1) will read as
8 follows: — *Section 29.* (1) Any member in service
9 who shall have attained age sixty, or who has com-
10 pleted thirty years of creditable service, upon his own
11 written application to the board shall, or upon that
12 of the head of his department or, if he himself is the
13 head of his department, upon that of the mayor in a
14 city or the board of selectmen in a town, may, be

15 retired for superannuation not less than thirty nor
16 more than ninety days after the filing of such appli-
17 cation. A member whose retirement is applied for by
18 the head of his department or by the mayor or select-
19 men, as the case may be, shall be given a notice in
20 writing of such application forthwith and be given a
21 hearing before the board, if he requests such hearing
22 in writing within ten days of the receipt of such notice.
23 Such hearing shall take place not less than three nor
24 more than fourteen days after request therefor. If the
25 board finds on hearing that the member is able prop-
26 erly to perform his duties it shall thereupon file a copy
27 of its findings with the head of his department or with
28 the mayor or board of selectmen, as the case may be,
29 in which case the member shall not be retired; other-
30 wise, the retirement shall become effective within the
31 time hereinbefore provided.