

HOUSE No. 330

By Mr. Trull of Tewksbury (by request), petition of Irving F. French and others (selectmen) that the office of chief of police of the town of Tewksbury be placed under civil service laws. Civil Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act placing the Office of Chief of Police of the Town of Tewksbury 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 town
2 of Tewksbury shall, upon the effective date of this
3 act, become subject to the civil service laws and rules
4 and regulations relating to the appointment and re-
5 moval of police officers in towns, and the tenure of
6 office of any incumbent thereof shall be unlimited,
7 except that he may be removed in accordance with
8 such laws and rules and regulations; provided, how-
9 ever, that the present incumbent of said office may
10 continue to serve as such without taking a civil service
11 examination.

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
7 year nineteen hundred and thirty-seven, entitled ‘An
8 Act placing the office of chief of police of the town of
9 Tewksbury under the civil service laws’, be accepted?”
10 If a majority of the votes in answer to said question
11 are in the affirmative, then this act shall thereupon
12 take effect, but not otherwise.