

# SENATE . . . . No. 391

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To accompany the petition of Edward M. Rowe, Charles W. Olson and Cornelius F. Haley for legislation relative to the retirement and pensioning of the counsel and assistant counsel to the Senate and to the House of Representatives. Pensions and Old Age Assistance.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE RETIREMENT AND PENSIONING OF THE COUNSEL AND ASSISTANT COUNSEL TO THE SENATE AND TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN CERTAIN CASES.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter thirty-two of the General Laws is hereby  
2 amended by inserting after section sixty-seven the  
3 following section:—  
4 *Section 67A.* Any person holding the office of  
5 counsel or assistant counsel to the senate or counsel  
6 or assistant counsel to the house of representatives  
7 whose tenure of office is terminated in any manner  
8 after he has faithfully served in any such office or  
9 offices for a period of more than ten years and after  
10 he has attained the age of seventy years or after he  
11 has faithfully served in any such office or offices for a

12 period of more than twenty years shall, upon the  
13 termination of such tenure of office, be entitled to  
14 receive a pension for life at an annual rate equal to  
15 one half of the annual rate of salary payable to him  
16 at the time of the termination thereof, to be paid  
17 from the same source and in the same manner as the  
18 salaries of such counsel are paid. In computing the  
19 length of service of a counsel or assistant counsel to  
20 the senate or house of representatives for the pur-  
21 poses hereof, all service rendered heretofore or here-  
22 after as either such counsel or either such assistant  
23 counsel or in any position subordinate thereto or  
24 while employed in work performed under the direc-  
25 tion of such counsel shall be counted.