

# SENATE . . . . No. 303

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To accompany the petition of George C. Neal, deputy chief of the district police, relative to fire drills in factories. Labor.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifteen.

### AN ACT

Relative to Fire Drills in Factories.

*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 chief of the district police may  
2 in his discretion, if he believes that it is necessary  
3 for the safety of the inmates, order a fire drill at  
4 least once a month in any factory building outside  
5 of the metropolitan fire district over two stories  
6 in height in which more than twenty-five persons  
7 are employed above the ground floor which will  
8 conduct all the occupants of such building to a  
9 place of safety, and in which all the occupants of  
10 such building shall participate simultaneously if  
11 required by said chief. Appropriate rules and  
12 regulations and such special orders as are neces-  
13 sary or suitable to the adequate co-operation of all

14 the tenants of such building in a fire drill shall be  
15 prepared by the said chief of the district police.  
16 In any factory to which this act applies a demon-  
17 stration of such fire drill shall be given upon the  
18 request of the said chief of the district police or  
19 his authorized representative, but such request  
20 shall not be made more than once a month.

1 SECTION 2. The rules and regulations referred  
2 to in section one of this act shall be posted on each  
3 floor of every factory to which they apply and shall  
4 be complied with by the owner, manager, superin-  
5 tendent or any other person having charge of such  
6 building or any part thereof or any person em-  
7 ployed therein.

1 SECTION 3. The owner, manager, superintendent  
2 or any other person in charge of a factory to  
3 which section one applies shall be liable to a fine  
4 of not more than one hundred dollars for each  
5 month he shall fail to comply with the provisions  
6 of this act.

1 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect Septem-  
2 ber first, nineteen hundred and fifteen.