To accompany the petition of Charles E. Manley for the Taunton Central Labor Union that the municipal lighting plant of the city of Taunton be placed under the management and control of an unpaid commission of three citizens, with further authority to manufacture, sell and distribute heat, power and light outside of said city. Public Lighting.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Nineteen.

AN ACT

To establish a Public Lighting Commission for the City of Taunton.

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. Full power to manage, regulate, direct and control the municipal lighting plant of the city of Taunton is herewith vested in a commission of three persons, one of whom shall be a representative of labor, all of whom shall be residents in, and citizens of, the said city. Said board shall serve without pay, may not hold other public office in said city, and shall hold office respectively for a term of one, two and three years.
Section 2. The said commission shall be first elected by the municipal council of said city at a regular meeting within thirty days from the passage of this act. At the said meeting the said council shall elect one member to serve for the year nineteen hundred and nineteen, one member to serve for the years of nineteen hundred and nineteen hundred and twenty, and one member to serve for the years of nineteen hundred and nineteen hundred and twenty, and nineteen hundred and twenty-one, but in each and every case until his successor shall have been elected and qualified. Commencing with the first annual meeting in nineteen hundred and twenty and annually thereafter one member of the said commission shall be elected to serve for three years.

Section 3. The said commission shall at its first meeting, and annually thereafter, elect a chairman, and the said commission shall annually at the first regular meeting of the said municipal council, submit a full and complete report of the preceding fiscal year.

Section 4. The said commission is further authorized to manufacture, sell and distribute electric heat, light and power outside of the confines of the said city of Taunton, and to contract accordingly.
Section 5. The said municipal council shall have the power to fill any or all vacancies in the said commission, by reason of death, change of residence, disability or otherwise, but shall fill such vacancy not later than thirty days from the date of its occurrence.

Section 6. This act shall take effect upon its passage.