

By Mr. Kitchen of Fall River, petition of Carlton A. Lees and others (selectmen) that provision be made for tenure of office for certain members of the police force of the town of Westport. Towns.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty.

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AN ACT PROVIDING FOR TENURE OF OFFICE OF CERTAIN MEMBERS  
OF THE POLICE FORCE OF THE TOWN OF WESTPORT.

*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 tenure of office of any permanent member of  
2 the police force of the town of Westport who has served in his  
3 respective office or position for a period of three consecutive  
4 years shall be unlimited and he shall hold office during good  
5 behavior unless incapacitated by physical or mental disability  
6 from performing his duties and until the selectmen shall remove  
7 him therefrom in accordance with the provisions of chapter  
8 thirty-one of the General Laws.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted for acceptance by  
2 said town at its next annual election in the form of the following  
3 question, which shall be placed on the official ballot to be used  
4 for the election of town officers at such election: — “Shall an  
5 act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred  
6 and sixty entitled ‘An Act providing for tenure in office of  
7 certain members of the police force of the town of Westport’,  
8 be accepted?” If a majority of the votes in answer to said  
9 question is in the affirmative, then this act shall thereupon take  
10 full effect, but not otherwise.

