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Bill accompanying the recommendations to be contained in the annual report of the Chief of the District Police (House, No. 18).  
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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifteen.

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### AN ACT

Relative to the Inspection of Steam Boilers.

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

1 Sections six and seven of chapter four hundred and  
2 sixty-five of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and  
3 seven are hereby amended by striking out said sections,  
4 and inserting in place thereof the following:—  
5 *Section 6.* Whoever desires to act as an inspector of  
6 boilers, as specified in section five, shall make applica-  
7 tion upon blanks to be furnished by the chief of the  
8 district police. Three members of the boiler inspection  
9 department shall act as a board of examiners. The ap-  
10 plication shall be accompanied by a fee of ten dollars;  
11 shall show the total experience of the applicant; and  
12 shall be accompanied by a letter of request for his exam-  
13 ination from the boiler insurance company by whom he

14 is or is to be employed. Wilful falsification in the mat-  
15 ter of any statement contained in the application shall  
16 be deemed sufficient cause for the revocation of said cer-  
17 tificate at any time. The applicant shall be examined as  
18 to his knowledge of the construction, installation, main-  
19 tenance and repair of steam boilers and their appendages,  
20 and, if found competent, he shall receive a certificate of  
21 competency as an inspector of steam boilers for this  
22 commonwealth in the employ of the boiler insurance  
23 company by whom he is or is to be employed. Said  
24 certificate shall continue in force during his employment  
25 by any insurance company authorized to insure steam  
26 boilers in this commonwealth or until revoked for in-  
27 competency or untrustworthiness: *provided, however,*  
28 that any such inspector holding a certificate of compe-  
29 tency in the employ of one authorized insurance company  
30 may exchange the same for a similar certificate in the  
31 employ of any other authorized insurance company,  
32 upon presentation of a letter of request for such ex-  
33 change from the insurance company desiring to employ  
34 him. When a person ceases to be employed as an  
35 inspector by a boiler insurance company, the insurance  
36 company shall notify the chief of the district police of  
37 the matter, giving the reasons therefor. A period of  
38 ninety days shall elapse between the dates of examina-  
39 tions, except in the case of an appeal as hereinafter  
40 provided. The certificate of competency shall be revoked  
41 for the incompetence or untrustworthiness of the holder  
42 thereof, and shall remain revoked until a new certificate  
43 is issued. If a certificate is lost by fire or other cause  
44 a new certificate shall be issued in its place, upon satis-  
45 factory proof of such loss, without re-examination.

46 *Section 7.* A person who is refused a certificate of  
47 competency, or whose certificate is revoked, may appeal

48 from such decision to the chief of the district police,  
49 who shall grant a rehearing of the case by a board of five  
50 examiners, no one of whom shall have acted as an exam-  
51 iner in the former instance, whose decision shall be final  
52 if approved by the chief of the district police. If an  
53 appeal is taken, it must be within one week after the  
54 decision of the board of examiners, and the appellant  
55 must appear for examination on his appeal at the time  
56 stated in the notification sent to him; failure to appear  
57 at such time shall forfeit his right to further examina-  
58 tion on appeal. The applicant shall have the privilege  
59 of having one representative of the boiler insurance  
60 company by whom he is or is to be employed present  
61 during an examination or the hearing of an appeal.

