

HOUSE No. 1312

Bill accompanying the petition of Arthur N. Newhall relative to the retirement of certain veterans in the service of the Commonwealth. Social Welfare. January 21.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifteen.

AN ACT

Relative to the Retirement of Certain Veterans in the Service of the Commonwealth.

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 one of chapter four hundred and fifty-
2 eight of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and
3 seven is hereby amended by inserting after the
4 word " war ", in the tenth line, the words:—
5 after five years,— and by striking out the words
6 " at any time ", in lines twelve and thirteen,— so
7 as to read as follows:— *Section 1.* A veteran of
8 the civil war in the service of the commonwealth,
9 if incapacitated for active duty, shall be retired
10 from active service, with the consent of the gov-
11 ernor, at one half the rate of compensation paid

12 to him when in active service, to be paid out of the
 13 treasury of the commonwealth: *provided*, that no
 14 veteran shall be entitled to be retired under the
 15 provisions of this act unless he shall have been in
 16 the service of the commonwealth at least ten years.
 17 But if, in the opinion of the governor and council,
 18 any veteran of the civil war after five years in said
 19 service is incapacitated to such a degree as to
 20 render his retirement necessary for the good of the
 21 service, he may so be retired. A veteran retired
 22 under the provisions of this act, whose term of
 23 service was for a fixed number of years, shall be
 24 entitled to the benefits of the act without reap-
 25 pointment.

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