

HOUSE No. 271

By Mr. Harrington of Fall River, petition of Joseph S. Hurley that provision be made for the pensioning of laborers employed by the city of Fall River. Social Welfare. Dec. 17, 1923.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-Four.

An Act relative to the Pensioning of Laborers in the
Employ of the City of Fall River.

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. Any laborer in the employ of the
2 city of Fall River who has reached the age of sixty
3 years and has been in such employ for a period of
4 not less than twenty-five years and has become
5 physically or mentally incapacitated for labor, and
6 any laborer in the employ of said city who has been
7 in such employ for a period of not less than fifteen
8 years and has become physically or mentally inca-
9 pacitated for labor by reason of any injury received
10 in the performance of his duties for said city, may,
11 at his request and with the approval of the mayor,
12 be retired from service, and if so retired he shall
13 receive from said city for the remainder of his life
14 an annual pension equal to one half the annual com-
15 pensation paid him as a laborer at the time of his
16 retirement, but such pension shall in no event ex-
17 ceed five hundred dollars. Any laborer in the em-
18 ploy of said city who has reached the age of sixty-

19 five years and has been in such employ for a period
20 of not less than twenty-five years including the time
21 when incapacitated by reason of sickness, not ex-
22 ceeding two years in the aggregate, which is certi-
23 fied by a physician in regular standing, shall be re-
24 tired from service and shall receive from said city
25 an annual pension computed in the manner herein-
26 before set forth. The word "laborer", as used in
27 this section, shall include foremen, inspectors, me-
28 chanics, drawtenders, assistant drawtenders and
29 storekeepers.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its ac-
2 ceptance by vote of the city council of said city,
3 subject to the provisions of its charter; provided,
4 that such acceptance occurs prior to December
5 thirty-first in the current year.