

HOUSE No. 436

By Mr. Trull of Tewksbury (by request), petition of Norman L. Peavey and others (selectmen) and others that the office of chief of police of the town of Dracut be placed under the civil service laws. Civil Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-Eight.

AN ACT PLACING UNDER THE CIVIL SERVICE LAWS THE
OFFICE OF CHIEF OF POLICE OF THE TOWN OF DRACUT.

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 office of chief of police of the town
2 of Dracut shall, upon the effective date of this act,
3 become subject to the civil service laws and rules and
4 regulations relating to police officers in towns, and the
5 tenure of office of any incumbent thereof shall be
6 unlimited, subject, however, to said laws, but the
7 present incumbent of said office may continue to serve
8 as such without taking a civil service examination.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted to the
2 voters of said town at the annual town meeting in the
3 current year in the form of the following question
4 which shall be placed upon the official ballot to be
5 used for the election of town officers at said meeting:

6 — “Shall an act passed by the general court in the year
7 nineteen hundred and thirty-seven, entitled ‘An Act
8 placing under the Civil Service Laws the Office of
9 Chief of Police of the Town of Dracut’, be accepted?”
10 If a majority of the votes in answer to said question
11 are in the affirmative, then this act shall thereupon
12 take effect, but not otherwise.