

# HOUSE . . . . No. 1326

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By Mr. Burke of Boston, petition of Maurice J. Tobin (mayor) for legislation to enlarge the membership of the board of assessors of the city of Boston. Cities.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

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### AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE ASSESSING DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF BOSTON.

*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. Section one of chapter ninety-three  
2 of the Special Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen  
3 is hereby amended by striking out the word "three"  
4 in the third line and inserting in place thereof the  
5 word:— five, — so as to read as follows:— *Section 1.*  
6 The assessing department of the city of Boston shall  
7 hereafter be under the direction of a board of five  
8 assessors who shall exercise the powers and perform  
9 the duties of assessors of taxes.

1 SECTION 2. Section two of said chapter ninety-  
2 three, as most recently amended by section one of  
3 chapter one hundred and ninety of the acts of nine-  
4 teen hundred and thirty-seven, is hereby further

5 amended by striking out said section two and insert-  
6 ing in place thereof the following:—

7 *Section 2.* The mayor of the city shall appoint,  
8 and may at any time remove, in accordance with the  
9 provisions of chapter four hundred and eighty-six  
10 of the acts of nineteen hundred and nine, five as-  
11 sessors to hold office for terms of one, two, three,  
12 four, and five years, respectively, beginning with the  
13 first day of April in the current year. As the term  
14 of each assessor expires, the mayor in like manner  
15 shall appoint his successor for a term of five years  
16 from the first day of April in the year of appointment.  
17 The mayor shall also fill any vacancy for the unex-  
18 pired term. The mayor shall designate the chairman  
19 of the board who shall receive an annual salary of  
20 seventy-five hundred dollars; the four other members  
21 of the board shall each receive an annual salary of  
22 six thousand dollars.

1 SECTION 3. This act shall take full effect upon its  
2 acceptance during the current year by vote of the city  
3 council of the city of Boston, subject to the provisions  
4 of its charter, but not otherwise.