

# HOUSE . . . . No. 1291.

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[Amendments moved to the Bill to incorporate the Massachusetts Pipe  
Line Company, House, No. 1225.]

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## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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Mr. Lowell of Boston moves to amend as follows:—

In section 1, strike out all after the word “provided,” in line 14.

In section 2, strike out all after the word “purposes,” in line 19, to the end of the paragraph.

In section 3, strike out the words “five million”, in lines 1 and 2, and insert in place thereof “one million.” Strike out the word “fifty,” in line 2, and insert the word “ten.”

Mr. Myers of Cambridge moves to amend in section 3, by striking out the remainder of the section after the word “board,” in line 8.

Mr. Lowell of Boston moves to amend in section 3, by striking out all after the word “acquired,” in line 14.

Mr. Weston of Boston moves to amend in section 3, line 24, by striking out the words “section sixty” and inserting in place thereof the words “sections sixty and sixty-one.”

Mr. Weston moves to strike out section 4.

Mr. Shaw of Boston moves to amend in section 5, line 9, by striking out the word “shall” and inserting in place thereof the word “may.”

Mr. Shaw moves to amend in section 5 by striking out all after the word "proper" in line 11 down to and including the word "aforesaid" in line 26.

Mr. Weston moves to amend in section 5 by striking out all after the word "town" in line 19 down to and including the word "authority" in line 24.

Mr. Shephard of Lynn moves to amend in section 5 by striking out all after the word "proper" in line 11, down to and including the word "the" in line 22.

Mr. Lowell moves to amend by adding at the end of section 5 the words "all locations granted under this section shall be subject to revocation by said aldermen or selectmen respectively, subject to the approval of said board."

Mr. Jones of Melrose moves to amend by striking out section 6.

Mr. Bates of Boston moves to amend in section 7, line 13, by striking out the words "not thereafter" and inserting in place thereof the words "thereafter be subject to the provisions of section 10 of this act and shall not in any case."

Mr. Shaw moves to amend in section 7 by striking out all after the word "exceed" in line 13, and inserting in place thereof the words "seventy-five cents per thousand cubic feet."

Mr. Jones moves to amend in section 7 by striking out all after the word "prices" in line 13, and inserting in place thereof the words "limited by section 10 of this act."

Mr. Bancroft of Reading moves to amend by adding at the end of section 7 the words "nor shall the company discontinue any portion of the distributing system it may acquire by any such purchase, lease or operating contract, but shall thereafter furnish gas to all who desire it within the limits of such distributing system."

Mr. Shaw moves to amend in section 9, line 4, by striking out the words "but not," and inserting in place thereof the word "and."

Mr. Lowell moves to amend by adding, at the end of section 9, the following, "and *provided, further*, that nothing in this act shall authorize the company to enter into the business of buying, selling, dealing in and distributing gas in any city or town without the consent of the mayor and aldermen of said city, or of the voters of said town."

Mr. James H. Mellen of Worcester moves to amend in section 10, line 1, by striking out the words "The company may charge and collect, but," and insert in place thereof the words "In respect of the prices of gas supplied by the company, it shall be subject to all general laws and to all powers of the board or other public authority relating thereto, but such prices."

Mr. Mellen moves to amend in section 10, line 5, by striking out the word "thirty-five" and insert in place thereof the word "twenty."

Mr. Mayo of Medford moves to amend in section 10, line 8, by inserting, after the word "town" the words "the cost to the individual consumer shall not exceed."

Mr. Mellen moves to amend in section 10, line 8, by striking out the word "fifty" and inserting in place thereof the word "forty."

Mr. Lowell moves to amend in section 10, line 15, by striking out the words "the legal" and substitute the words "a reasonable."

Mr. Mellen moves to amend in section 10, lines 15 and 16, by striking out the words "the legal rate of interest" and inserting in place thereof the words "interest not exceeding five per cent."

Mr. Hayes of Lowell moves to amend by adding at the end of section 10 the words "But no charge shall be in ex-

cess of fifty cents per one thousand feet of gas supplied to consumer."

Mr. Lowell moves to strike out the first five lines of section 11.

Mr. Mellen moves to amend by striking out the last paragraph of section 11.

Mr. Lowell moves to amend by striking out section 12.

Mr. Bancroft of Reading moves to amend by adding a new section, after section 12, as follows:—

1 "Sect. 13. Nothing herein contained, and no action  
2 taken by any parties hereunder, shall be construed so as  
3 to take away from any city or town which now possesses  
4 the right to establish and maintain a plant of its own for  
5 the manufacture and distribution of gas any rights it now  
6 possesses."