

HOUSE No. 701.

[Bill accompanying the petition of John H. H. McNamee, mayor, for legislation to amend the charter of the city of Cambridge. Cities. February 3.]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Two.

AN ACT

To amend the Charter of the City of Cambridge.

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 fourteen of chapter three hun-
2 dred and sixty-four of the acts of the year eighteen
3 hundred and ninety-one is hereby amended by inserting
4 in the twelfth line thereof after the word “appoint-
5 ments” the words:—and removals,—so that said sec-
6 tion, as amended, shall read as follows:—

7 *Section 14.* All the powers now vested by law in the
8 city of Cambridge, or in the inhabitants thereof as a
9 municipal corporation, except as herein otherwise pro-
10 vided, shall be vested in the city council and shall be
11 exercised by a concurrent vote, each branch having a

12 negative on the other. A majority of each branch shall
13 constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. No
14 member of either branch shall receive any compensation
15 for his services. All sittings of the city council, or of
16 either branch thereof, except for the consideration of
17 candidates for election and except the sittings of the
18 board of aldermen for consideration of appointments
19 and removals by the mayor, shall be public. But all
20 votes on elections and on confirmations shall be taken in
21 public.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its accept-
2 ance by the city council of the city of Cambridge by
3 concurrent vote, provided the same shall be accepted
4 within sixty days from the date of its passage.