

HOUSE No. 598.

Bill accompanying the petition of F. H. Schoonmaker for legislation to authorize the pensioning of firemen in fire districts. Towns. January 20.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eight.

AN ACT

Relative to pensioning Certain Firemen in Fire Districts.

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 prudential committee of any fire
2 district, duly established, may retire from active service
3 and place upon the pension roll, any permanent member
4 of the fire department of such district found by them to
5 be permanently incapacitated, mentally or physically,
6 for useful service in the department to which he belongs,
7 by injuries received through no fault of his own in the
8 actual performance of his duty. They may also retire
9 and place upon the pension roll any permanent member
10 of said district who has performed faithful service in
11 the department for not less than twenty-five years con-

12 tinuously, and is not less than fifty-five years of age.
13 Every person retired under the provisions of this act
14 shall annually receive as a pension a sum equal to one-
15 half of the annual compensation received by him at the
16 time of his retirement. Such pension shall be paid by
17 the district which shall appropriate money therefor.

1 SECTION 2. The prudential committee of any dis-
2 trict which accepts this act are hereby authorized, in
3 case of emergency, to call upon any persons so pensioned
4 by such district for such temporary service as they may
5 deem him fitted to perform, and during such service he
6 shall be entitled to full pay.

1 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.