

HOUSE No. 1923

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 8, 1912.

The committee on Public Lighting, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 413) of Maynard E. S. Clemons for legislation relative to the municipal lighting plants of the towns of Reading and Wakefield, report the accompanying bill.

For the committee,

CHARLES L. UNDERHILL.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twelve.

AN ACT

Relative to the Municipal Lighting Plants of the Towns of
Reading and Wakefield.

*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 two of chapter five hundred and
2 sixteen of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eleven
3 is hereby amended by striking out the following words in
4 the first sentence, " no expenditure for such purpose shall
5 be made by either of said towns unless the same shall have
6 been authorized by " and by substituting in the place
7 thereof the words:— neither town shall begin to con-
8 struct within the boundaries of the other any gas mains
9 or electric lines until the town so constructing has been
10 authorized to do so by a, — also by inserting after the
11 words " purpose and held " the words:— any such town,
12 — so that said section shall read as follows:— *Section 2.*
13 The town of Wakefield may, if authorized by vote of the
14 town of Reading, construct and maintain in the town of
15 Reading pipes for the distribution and sale of gas and
16 lines for the distribution and sale of electricity to the
17 inhabitants thereof and to said town for municipal use;
18 and the town of Reading may, if authorized by vote of

19 the town of Wakefield, construct and maintain in the
20 town of Wakefield lines for the distribution and sale of
21 electricity to the inhabitants thereof and to said town for
22 municipal use, but neither town shall begin to construct
23 within the boundaries of the other any gas mains or elec-
24 tric lines until the town so constructing has been author-
25 ized to do so by a vote of two thirds of the voters taken
26 by ballot with the use of the voting list at each of two town
27 meetings called for the purpose and held in such town at
28 intervals of not less than two nor more than thirteen
29 months. The said towns shall have with respect to the
30 distribution and sale of gas or electricity beyond their
31 respective boundaries the same rights and privileges and
32 be subject to the same duties, limitations and obligations
33 as they now or may hereafter have or be subject to with
34 respect to the distribution and sale of gas or electricity
35 within their own limits.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

