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Bill accompanying the petition of Edward F. Harrington for legislation to provide for the development of the port of Fall River. Harbors and Public Lands. January 6.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirteen.

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### AN ACT

To create the Harbor Improvement Commission of the City of Fall River and to define its Powers.

*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 governor, with the advice and con-  
2 sent of the council, shall appoint two persons and the  
3 mayor of the city of Fall River shall appoint one person,  
4 and the three persons so appointed shall constitute a  
5 commission to be known as the harbor improvement  
6 commission of the city of Fall River. The persons so  
7 appointed shall serve for a term of five years. Any  
8 vacancy occurring among the members of said commission  
9 shall be filled for the unexpired term by the governor or  
10 by the mayor, accordingly as the vacancy occurs among  
11 the members originally appointed by the governor or  
12 mayor, respectively. The commission shall have its

13 offices in the city of Fall River, and shall be authorized  
14 to employ and hire whatever assistance it deems neces-  
15 sary to carry out the purpose of this act. The chair-  
16 man shall be designated by the governor, who shall  
17 receive an annual salary of three thousand dollars, and  
18 shall devote his whole time to the work of the com-  
19 mission. The other members shall each receive an annual  
20 salary of one thousand dollars.

1 SECTION 2. The commission shall work for the im-  
2 provement of the harbor and harbor front of the city of  
3 Fall River, and shall cause plans to be drawn for the  
4 improvement of said harbor.

1 SECTION 3. The commission may acquire and operate  
2 all kinds of appliances, apparatus, plant and machinery  
3 for the purpose of increasing the usefulness and business  
4 of the harbor or facilitating traffic therein, and to pro-  
5 mote industry in and about the limits of said city of  
6 Fall River.

1 SECTION 4. The commission shall have the power  
2 to lease or operate any docks, warehouses or other  
3 structures upon its land or lands that it acquires for the  
4 purpose that it deems necessary or desirable for the pro-  
5 motion of industry in and the development of the busi-  
6 ness of the harbor and other property in its control.

1 SECTION 5. The commission shall have the right to  
2 take property by right of eminent domain, and in exer-  
3 cising said right the commission shall follow the rules  
4 laid out for the taking of land for highways.

1 SECTION 6. To provide a fund for the purposes of this  
2 act, the treasurer and receiver general is hereby author-

3 ized, with the approval of the governor and council, to  
4 issue bonds, scrip, or certificates of indebtedness to an  
5 amount not exceeding eight hundred thousand dollars,  
6 for a term not exceeding twenty-five years, to be in such  
7 form, to bear such rate of interest, and to be issued in  
8 such amounts, from time to time, as the treasurer and  
9 receiver general, with the approval of the governor and  
10 council, shall determine.

1 SECTION 7. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

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THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD IN THE YEAR 1891