

# HOUSE . . . . No. 1315

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Bill accompanying the petition of William F. Doyle for legislation to revise the charter of the city of Boston. Metropolitan Affairs. January 15.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirteen.

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### AN ACT

To amend the Charter of the City of Boston.

*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 forty-eight of chapter four  
2 hundred and eighty-six of the acts of the year nine-  
3 teen hundred and nine is hereby amended by strik-  
4 ing out the whole of said section and inserting in  
5 place thereof the following:— *Section 48.* There  
6 shall be elected at large in said city a city council of  
7 fifteen members. At the next election under this act  
8 there shall be elected nine members of said council,  
9 the six remaining councilmen to hold office until the  
10 expiration of their terms. At the election in nine-  
11 teen hundred and fourteen no voter shall vote for  
12 more than nine. The five candidates receiving the

13 largest number of votes at said election shall hold  
14 office for three years, the two receiving the next  
15 largest number of votes shall hold office for two  
16 years, the two receiving the next largest number  
17 shall hold office for one year. Thereafter at each  
18 annual municipal election there shall be chosen at  
19 large five members of the city council who shall hold  
20 office for three years.

1 SECTION 2. Section fifty-three of said chapter  
2 four hundred and eighty-six is hereby amended by  
3 striking out the words " five thousand ", in line  
4 eight, and inserting in their place:—twenty-five  
5 hundred.