

SENATE No. 385

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

SENATE, March 29, 1916.

The committee on Metropolitan Affairs, to which was referred the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 39), of John E. Beck relative to the powers of the fire prevention commissioner, reports the accompanying bill (new draft).

For the committee,

SANFORD BATES.

Messrs. WILSON, SEAGRAVE, BROWN and MANCOVITZ, of the House, dissent.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixteen.

AN ACT

To authorize Certain Municipal Officers to prevent the Granting of Certain Licenses by the Fire Prevention Commissioner.

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 three of chapter seven hundred and
2 ninety-five of the acts of the year nineteen hun-
3 dred and fourteen is hereby amended by adding
4 at the end thereof the following:— *provided,*
5 *however,* that the mayor and city council of a city
6 or the board of selectmen of a town may dis-
7 approve the granting of such license or permit
8 and on such disapproval such permit or license
9 shall be refused,— so as to read as follows:—
10 *Section 3.* All existing powers, in whatever offi-
11 cers, councils, bodies, boards or persons, other
12 than the general court and the judicial courts of
13 the commonwealth they may be vested, to li-
14 cense persons or premises, or to grant permits for
15 or to inspect or regulate or restrain the keeping,

16 storage, use, manufacture, sale, handling, trans-
17 portation or other disposition of gunpowder,
18 dynamite, nitroglycerine, camphine or any similar
19 fluids or compounds, crude petroleum or any of
20 its products, or any explosive or inflammable
21 fluids or compounds, tablets, torpedoes, rockets,
22 toy pistols, fireworks, firecrackers, or any other
23 explosives, and the use of engines and furnaces
24 described in section seventy-three of chapter one
25 hundred and two of the Revised Laws, are hereby
26 transferred to and vested in the commissioner:
27 *provided, however,* that the mayor and city council
28 of a city or the board of selectmen of a town may
29 disapprove the granting of such license or permit
30 and on such disapproval such permit or license
31 shall be refused.

