

HOUSE No. 5310

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 7, 1970.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom was referred the Bill providing tenure for the present incumbents of the offices of chief of police, sergeants and patrolmen in the police department of the town of Plainville (House, No. 2155, report recommending that the same be amended by the substitution of the accompanying bill (House, No. 5310).

For the committee,

C. VINCENT SHEA.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy.

AN ACT PROVIDING TENURE FOR THE PRESENT INCUMBENTS OF THE OFFICES OF CHIEF OF POLICE AND SERGEANT, AND THE POSITION OF PATROLMAN WHO HAVE SERVED FOR ONE YEAR IN SUCH POSITION, IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE TOWN OF PLAINVILLE.

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 tenure of office of the present incumbents
2 of the offices of chief of police and sergeant, and any patrol-
3 man who has served in such position for a period of one
4 year in the police force of the town of Plainville, shall be
5 unlimited. Said incumbents shall not be removed from office,
6 lowered in rank or suspended, except for just cause and
7 reasons specifically given them in writing by the board of
8 selectmen.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted for acceptance to
2 the voters of the town of Plainville at its next annual meet-
3 ing in the form of the following question, which shall be
4 placed upon the official ballot to be used for the election of
5 officers at said meeting:—"Shall an act passed by the Gen-
6 eral Court in the year nineteen hundred and seventy, entitled
7 'An Act providing tenure for the present incumbents of the
8 officers of chief of police and sergeant, and the position of
9 patrolman who have served for one year in such position, in
10 the police department of the town of Plainville' be accepted?"
11 If a majority of the votes in answer to said question is in
12 the affirmative this act shall thereupon take full effect, but
13 not otherwise.