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Bill accompanying the petition of John F. Foster for legislation relative to the operation and inspection of steam boilers. Mercantile Affairs. January 28.

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## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Nine.

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### AN ACT

Relative to the Operation and Inspection of Steam Boilers.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter four hundred and ninety-five of the acts of  
2 nineteen hundred and seven is hereby amended in sec-  
3 tion one, by striking out, in the fifth, sixth and seventh  
4 lines, “and having less than four square feet of grate  
5 surface”, and by inserting after the word “for”, in the  
6 seventh line, the following words:— contract work,  
7 saw mills or other service not associated with or conflict-  
8 ing with the safety requirements of the factory inspection  
9 department, — so as to read as follows:— *Section 1.* All  
10 steam boilers and their appurtenances, except boilers of

11 railroad locomotives, motor road vehicles, boilers in pri-  
12 vate residences, boilers in public buildings and in apart-  
13 ment houses used solely for heating, and carrying  
14 pressures not exceeding fifteen pounds per square inch,  
15 boilers used for contract work, saw mills or other service  
16 not associated with or conflicting with the safety require-  
17 ments of the factory inspection department, horticultural  
18 and agricultural purposes exclusively, and boilers under  
19 jurisdiction of the United States, shall be thoroughly  
20 inspected internally and externally at intervals of not  
21 over one year, and shall not be operated at pressures in  
22 excess of the safe working pressure stated in the certifi-  
23 cate of inspection hereinafter mentioned, which pressure  
24 is to be ascertained by rules established by the board of  
25 boiler rules, to be appointed as hereinafter provided;  
26 and shall be equipped with such appliances to insure  
27 safety of operation as shall be prescribed by said board.  
28 All such boilers installed after January first, nineteen  
29 hundred and eight, shall be so inspected when installed.  
30 No certificate of inspection shall be granted on any  
31 boiler installed after May first, nineteen hundred and  
32 eight, which does not conform to the rules formulated  
33 by the board of boiler rules.