

By Mr. Herren of Fall River, petition of Albert Herren relative to reorganizing the Department of Public Utilities. Government Regulations.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Five.

AN ACT REORGANIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

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 2 of Chapter Twenty-five as appearing in the General
2 Laws in the Official Edition of 1990 is hereby repealed, and
3 inserted in place thereof the following new section: —

4 Section 2. The department shall be under the supervision and
5 control of a commission consisting of three members, in this
6 chapter, called the commission. The commissioners shall serve for
7 staggered terms of six years. On March 1, 1995, the governor,
8 with the advice and consent of both houses of the legislature, shall
9 appoint one commissioner to serve until the first day of March,
10 1997, one commissioner to serve until the first day of March,
11 1999, and one commissioner to serve until the first day of March,
12 2001. During the month of February, 1997 and during the month
13 of February biennially, thereafter, the governor, with the advice
14 and consent of both houses of the legislature, shall appoint a com-
15 missioner to succeed the commissioner whose term next will
16 expire, to serve a period for a term of six years commencing on
17 the first day of March then next following. Upon expiration of the
18 term of the chairperson, the governor may designate any commis-
19 sioner as chairperson. Not more than two members of said com-
20 mission shall be members of the same political party. The posi-
21 tions of chairperson and each other commissioner shall be classi-
22 fied in accordance with section forty-five of chapter thirty and the
23 salaries shall be determined in accordance with section forty-six C
24 of said chapter thirty.

