

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROTECTION OF FOREST OR *Chap.209*
 SPROUT LANDS FROM FIRE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. In a town which accepts the provisions of this act or has accepted a corresponding provision of earlier laws no fires shall be set in the open air between the first day of April and the first day of December, except by the written permission of the forest warden: *provided*, that debris from fields, gardens and orchards, or leaves and brush from yards may be burned on ploughed fields by the owners thereof, their agents or lessees, but in every case such fire shall be at least two hundred feet distant from any forest or sprout lands, and shall be properly attended until it is extinguished. The forest warden shall cause public notice to be given of the provisions of this section, and shall enforce the same. Whoever violates the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment for not more than one month, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Open air fires prohibited in certain towns.

Proviso.

Penalty.

SECTION 2. The provisions of the preceding section shall not apply to fires which may be set in accordance with regulations and methods approved by the superintendent for suppressing the gypsy and brown tail moths.

Not to apply in certain cases.

SECTION 3. The state forester shall notify every town in the commonwealth of the passage of this act by sending at least three printed copies thereof to the town clerk, who shall post the same in conspicuous places.

Copies of act to be posted.

SECTION 4. The state forester and forest warden may arrest without a warrant any persons found in the act of setting a fire in violation of any provision of this act.

Persons violating provisions of this act may be arrested.

SECTION 5. The selectmen of every town shall cause this act to be submitted to the voters for their acceptance at the next annual meeting of the town after the passage of this act. The vote shall be taken by separate ballot, and shall be "Yes" or "No" in answer to the following question printed upon the ballot: "Shall an act passed by the general court in the year nineteen hundred and eight, entitled 'An Act to provide for the protection of forest or sprout lands from fire' be accepted by this town?" A majority vote of the legal voters present and voting at such

Act to be submitted to voters.

When to take effect.

meeting shall be required for the acceptance of this act; and upon such acceptance the provisions of section twenty-four of chapter thirty-two of the Revised Laws shall cease to apply to any town which has previously accepted that section.

Approved March 14, 1908.

Chap. 210 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT ALL PAY-ROLLS, BILLS AND ACCOUNTS FOR SALARY OR COMPENSATION OF PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OR EMPLOYMENT OF THE CITY OF BOSTON SHALL BEAR THE CERTIFICATE OF THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Pay-rolls, etc., to bear certificate of civil service commission, etc.

SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for the treasurer or other fiscal officer of the city of Boston to pay any salary or compensation to any person in the service or employment of the city unless the pay-roll, bill, or account for such salary or compensation shall bear the certificate of the civil service commission, or its authorized agent that the persons named in such pay-roll, bill or account, have been appointed, employed, transferred, or promoted in accordance with the civil service law and rules so far as the same are applicable, or in case of doubt, that the commission authorizes the payment of such salary or compensation for the time being.

To be made under oath.

SECTION 2. Every such pay-roll, bill or account, before the certificate of the civil service commission or its authorized agent is affixed thereto, shall be sworn to by the head of the department, or by the person who is immediately responsible for the appointment, employment, promotion or transfer, of the persons named therein, and shall contain the following information: — First, full name of each employee; second, title of his office, or specific nature of the labor that he was originally engaged to perform; third, kind of work in which he has actually been employed since the submission of the last previous pay-roll; fourth, salary, wages or other compensation; fifth, date or dates of employment; sixth, the civil service number of such employee if he has been employed after certification under the civil service law and rules.

To contain certain information.

Person aggrieved may file petition, etc.

SECTION 3. Any person who is entitled to receive the certificate of the civil service commission to the treasurer as having been appointed, employed, transferred or pro-