

HOUSE No. 1437

By Mr. Aspell of Boston, petition of John F. Aspell and Thomas Dorgan for retirement of officers of state penal and reformatory institutions after twenty years of service. Pensions.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act providing for the Retirement of Officers of State Penal and Reformatory Institutions after Twenty Years of Service.

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 thirty-two of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by striking out section forty-six, as appear-
3 ing in the Tercentenary edition, and inserting in place
4 thereof the following:—

5 *Section 46.* The commissioner of correction may,
6 with the approval of the governor and council, retire
7 from active service and place upon a pension roll any
8 officer of the state prison, the Massachusetts reforma-
9 tory, the prison camp and hospital, the state farm,
10 the reformatory for women or any jail or house of
11 correction, or any person employed to instruct the
12 prisoners in any prison or reformatory, as provided
13 in section fifty-two of chapter one hundred and
14 twenty-seven, or any other employee of the state

15 prison, the Massachusetts reformatory or the prison
16 camp and hospital who has been employed in prison
17 service in the commonwealth, with a good record,
18 for twenty years; or who, without fault of his own,
19 has become permanently disabled by injuries sustained
20 in the performance of his duty; provided, that no
21 officer of any jail or house of correction shall so be
22 retired except upon the recommendation of the sheriff
23 and county commissioners of the county, except in
24 the county of Suffolk, where the recommendation as
25 to the officers of the jail shall be made by the sheriff
26 and the mayor of Boston, and, as to the officers of
27 the house of correction, by the penal institutions com-
28 missioner and the mayor of Boston. The word
29 "officer", as used in this and the two following sec-
30 tions, shall extend to and include prison officer, cor-
31 rection officer and matron.