

# HOUSE . . . . No. 2013

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House bill No. 1667, changed, and as amended, on motion of Mr. Walsh of Lynn, and passed to be engrossed by the House. January 21.

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## **The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-Two.

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AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE PLACING OF THE OFFICE OF CHIEF OF POLICE OF THE TOWN OF NORTH READING UNDER THE CIVIL SERVICE LAWS.

*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 office of chief of police of the  
2 town of North Reading shall, upon the effective date  
3 of this act, become subject to the civil service laws  
4 and rules relating to police officers in towns, and the  
5 tenure of office of any incumbent thereof shall be  
6 unlimited, subject, however, to said laws and rules.  
7 The incumbent of said office on January first, nine-  
8 teen hundred and fifty-two, shall be subjected to a  
9 qualifying examination for said office by the division  
10 of civil service. If said incumbent passes said exami-  
11 nation, he shall be certified for said office and shall be  
12 deemed to be permanently appointed thereto without  
13 serving any probationary period, and his tenure of  
14 office shall be unlimited, subject, however, to the  
15 provisions of said laws and rules.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall be submitted to the  
2 voters of said town at the annual town meeting or a  
3 special town meeting in the current year in the form  
4 of the following question, which shall be placed, in  
5 the case of an annual meeting, upon the official ballot  
6 to be used for the election of town officers at said  
7 meeting, or in case of a special town meeting, upon  
8 the ballot to be used at said meeting: — “Shall an  
9 act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen  
10 hundred and fifty-two, entitled ‘An Act authorizing  
11 the Placing of the Office of Chief of Police of the Town  
12 of North Reading under the Civil Service Laws,’ be  
13 accepted?” If a majority of the votes in answer to  
14 said question is in the affirmative, this act shall take  
15 full effect, but not otherwise.