

HOUSE No. 139.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Jan. 16, 1901.

[Introduced on leave by Mr. Davis of Amesbury. Public Service and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly.]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and One.

AN ACT

To abolish the Metropolitan Water Board and the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners and to transfer their Powers and Duties to a New Board, to be known as the Board of Metropolitan District Commissioners.

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 metropolitan water board and
2 the board of metropolitan sewerage commissioners
3 are hereby abolished; and all the powers and
4 duties granted to or imposed upon either of the
5 said boards are hereby granted to and imposed

6 upon a new board to be known as the board of
7 metropolitan district commissioners. No existing
8 contracts or liabilities or pending suits shall be
9 affected hereby; but as respects all such con-
10 tracts, liabilities and suits the new board shall be
11 substituted for the boards hereby abolished.

1 SECTION 2. The board of metropolitan dis-
2 trict commissioners shall consist of three persons
3 to be appointed by the governor with the advice
4 and consent of the council. Their terms of
5 office shall be three years beginning on October
6 first in the year of their appointment, and one
7 member shall be appointed each year; but of
8 those first appointed one shall be appointed to
9 serve one year, one two years, and one three
10 years from October first in the year nineteen hun-
11 dred and one.

1 SECTION 3. The governor may at any time
2 remove any member; and he, with the advice and
3 consent of the council, shall fill any vacancy in
4 the board. He shall designate one member to
5 serve as chairman, having such powers and duties
6 as are now held and performed by the chairman
7 of the metropolitan water board and by the chair-
8 man of the board of metropolitan sewerage com-
9 missioners.

1 SECTION 4. The chairman of the board of
2 metropolitan district commissioners shall receive
3 a salary of five thousand dollars per annum; and

4 the salary of the other members of the board shall
5 be forty-five hundred dollars per annum.

1 SECTION 5. So far as relates to the appoint-
2 ment of the said metropolitan district commis-
3 sioners this act shall take effect upon its passage;
4 and in all other respects it shall take effect Octo-
5 ber first in the year nineteen hundred and one.

