

HOUSE No. 1714

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, June 3, 1931.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

I herewith return without my approval House Bill 1108 entitled, "An Act relative to the Pay of Janitors Employed by the Superintendent of Buildings at the State House."

This is not a time for raising of salaries. Furthermore, the janitors employed by the Superintendent of Buildings are cared for in the classification of positions and readjustment of salaries which took place in 1927. This bill would tend to overturn a carefully worked out system based upon a mass of information from other states, cities, public utilities and private corporations, and upon a careful study of each individual position in the entire state service. It is a step backward toward the old system of fixing salaries upon the basis of pressure on the Governor and on the Legislature.

It may be complained that in approving a bill increasing the wages of scrub-women I have departed from the principle of this veto. That is probably correct, and the only justification of it is that I allowed my heart to rule my head.

For the above reason I am returning this bill without my approval.

JOSEPH B. ELY.

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