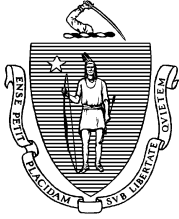


# SENATE, No. 2722

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

IN THE YEAR OF TWO THOUSAND AND EIGHT

### **AN ACT** RELATIVE TO THE APPOINTMENT AND STATUS OF THE FIRE CHIEF AND THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS IN THE CITY OF FALL RIVER.

*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.** Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the
- 2 contrary, the Fire Chief in the City of Fall River shall be the head of the Fire Department
- 3 and shall be responsible Department for the management and operation of said
- 4 department and the position of Fire Chief shall be exempt from the provisions of Chapter
- 5 31 of the General Laws of Massachusetts.
- 6 **SECTION 2.** The Fire Chief shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City
- 7 Council and shall be employed by contract for a period not exceeding three years. The

8 terms and conditions of said contract shall be determined by the Mayor and approved by  
9 the City Council.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Board of Fire Commissioners shall consist of three persons to be  
11 appointed by the Mayor in accordance with the provisions of the city charter and shall be  
12 advisory in nature.

13 **SECTION 4.** This Act shall take effect upon enactment.