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WHEREAS it is expedient to encourage the formation of efficient companies' of Firemen by rewarding those members who have served regularly for several years; Be it therefore enacted, &c. Preamble.

5 And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That when any member of any Company of Firemen, which is or may be regularly enrolled in any City, Town or place in which the formation of Companies of Firemen is by law authorized and regulated, has regularly
 10 and faithfully served for the space and term of seven consecutive years in the same, the said member shall be entitled to receive, upon producing due proof of his having served seven consecutive years as aforesaid, a certificate from the Clerk of the Peace of the District in
 15 which he resides, or the Clerk of the corporate body or Board of Police under whose authority the said Company shall have been established, that he has been regularly enrolled and served as a member of the said Fire Company for the space of seven years; which certificate
 20 shall exempt the individual named therein from Militia duty in time of peace, from serving as a constable, and from all Parish and Town offices; any law, custom or usage to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided always, Firemen having served 7 years exempted from serving in certain offices.
 that nothing herein contained shall be construed to ex-
 25 empt any such Fireman from serving as a juryman. Provido.