

special fund, the said board of police commissioners is hereby authorized, whenever in its opinion the efficiency of the service may require it, to retire any clerk or turnkey appointed by it, and pay him in monthly instalments, of the special said fund, for life, a sum of money not to exceed one-third in amount of the money monthly paid to him as such clerk or turnkey at the time of said retirement; provided, however, he shall have faithfully served in any capacity under the said board of police commissioners for a period of not less than sixteen years, or shall have been permanently disabled whilst in the discharge of his duty in said service; and the said board shall in every case, before making such retirement, procure and file among the records a certificate of a competent and reputable physician, selected by it, that the person proposed to be retired had been thoroughly examined by him, and that he is incapable of performing further duty as such clerk or turnkey. Said board shall have power to suspend said payment if in their judgment, after trial, said clerk or turnkey is living an improper or immoral life, such suspension to continue as long as such a life, in the opinion of said board, is pursued by said clerk or turnkey; provided, however, that the provisions of this act shall not apply to any clerk appointed by said board of police commissioners who has not, immediately prior to his appointment, served in some capacity whereby he has been required to perform police duty.

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SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Effective.

Approved April 5, 1888.