

HOUSE No. 761

By Mr. Vaughan of Belmont, petition of the Massachusetts Association of Plaintiffs' Compensation Attorneys that employees and dependents be relieved of the expenses of certain proceedings in workmen's compensation cases. Labor and Industries.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Eight.

AN ACT RELIEVING EMPLOYEES AND DEPENDENTS OF THE EXPENSES OF CERTAIN PROCEEDINGS IN WORK- MEN'S COMPENSATION CASES.

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 17 of chapter 152 of the General Laws is
2 hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the
3 following new sentence: — If the application for such
4 suspension is by an insurer or self-insurer, and the
5 employee prevails either in whole or in part, the
6 single justice shall award costs in an amount suffi-
7 cient to relieve the employee of the reasonable costs
8 of attorney's fees, briefs and other necessary expenses
9 that result from such application.

The Committee of Appropriations

Report on the bill to amend the law relating to

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