

SENATE No. 174

To accompany the petition of James J. Corbett for legislation to provide a preference to Gold Star Mothers, so called, in civil service appointments. Civil Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty.

AN ACT PROVIDING A PREFERENCE TO GOLD STAR MOTHERS,
SO CALLED, IN CIVIL SERVICE APPOINTMENTS.

*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. Section 23 of chapter 31 of the General
2 Laws, as amended, is hereby further amended by
3 striking out the last sentence, inserted by section 1 of
4 chapter 642 of the acts of 1949, and inserting in place
5 thereof the following sentence:—The names of
6 widows of, and of mothers of, veterans shall be placed
7 upon eligible lists for appointment to any position
8 classified under the civil service in the order of their
9 respective standing on such lists established as the
10 result of examinations above the names of other
11 applicants but below the names of veterans and dis-
12 abled veterans; provided, that no such preference
13 shall be given to such widows or mothers unless they
14 present proof satisfactory to the director that such
15 deceased veteran would have been entitled to be

16 recorded as a veteran under section twenty-one, that
17 the death of such veteran occurred during time of war
18 or insurrection or as the result of injury sustained or
19 disease contracted during such time, that the relation-
20 ship of widow or mother to the deceased veteran exists.

1 SECTION 2. Section 24 of said chapter 31, as
2 amended, is hereby further amended by striking out
3 the last sentence, inserted by section 2 of said chapter
4 642 of the acts of 1949, and inserting in place thereof
5 the following sentence: — The names of widows of, and
6 of mothers of, veterans shall be placed on the eligible
7 lists for the class for which they register above the
8 names of all other applicants but below the names of
9 veterans; provided, that no such preference shall be
10 given to such widows or mothers unless they present
11 proof satisfactory to the director that such deceased
12 veteran would have been entitled to be recorded as a
13 veteran under section twenty-one, that the death of
14 such veteran occurred during time of war or insur-
15 rection or as the result of injury sustained or disease
16 contracted during such time, that the relationship of
17 widow or mother to the deceased veteran exists.