

SENATE . . . . No. 347

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To accompany the petition of Joseph A. Melley for legislation to further regulate appeals to the so-called welfare compensation board in the Division of Civil Service. Civil Service.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

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AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING APPEALS TO THE SO-CALLED WELFARE COMPENSATION BOARD IN THE DIVISION OF CIVIL SERVICE.

*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 47D of chapter 31 of the General Laws, in-  
2 serted by section 1 of chapter 402 of the acts of 1941,  
3 is hereby amended by striking out the last two sen-  
4 tences and inserting in place thereof the following  
5 sentences: — Any holder of such a position objecting  
6 to any provision of such plan, or any action taken in  
7 connection therewith, which affects his office or posi-  
8 tion, or aggrieved by the failure of a city or town to  
9 appropriate moneys for step-rate increases, at a fixed  
10 time annually, for the operation of any portion of said  
11 plan, may appeal in writing to said board and shall be  
12 entitled to a hearing, after due notice, upon such  
13 appeal. Every decision of said board upon an appeal

14 for failure to appropriate moneys as aforesaid shall  
15 be rendered not later than sixty days after receipt  
16 of the appeal by the board. Every decision of the  
17 board shall be final, shall be binding upon any city  
18 or town involved, and shall be complied with by the  
19 proper authorities thereof.