

SENATE No. 364

To accompany the petition of the Massachusetts State Federation of Labor, by Kenneth J. Kelley, that provision be made for the payment of unemployment compensation in certain cases where the stoppage of work is caused by a labor dispute. Labor and Industries.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION IN CERTAIN CASES WHERE THE STOPPAGE OF WORK IS CAUSED BY A LABOR DISPUTE.

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 25 of chapter 151A is amended by striking
2 out subsection (b) as it now appears and substituting
3 therefor the following: —

4 (b) Any week with respect to which the director
5 finds on the basis of satisfactory evidence produced
6 by his investigation that his unemployment is due to
7 a stoppage of work which exists because of a labor
8 dispute provided that —

9 (1) He personally or by his authorized agents par-
10 ticipates in or finances or is directly interested in the
11 labor dispute which caused the stoppage; or

12 (2) He is employed at the time of such stoppage
13 in a unit which has been certified to be appropriate

14 for the purposes of collective bargaining by the Na-
15 tional Labor Relations Board or the labor relations
16 commission of the commonwealth, any employees of
17 which are employed by the same employer in the
18 same department on the same premises as said indi-
19 vidual and participate in, finance or are directly in-
20 terested in the dispute; or

21 (3) In the absence of such certification, he is em-
22 ployed at the time of such stoppage in a trade or
23 occupation any employees in which are employed by
24 the same employer in the same department on the
25 same premises as said individual and are participat-
26 ing in or financing or directly interested in the dispute.

27 (4) For the purposes of this chapter, the payment
28 of regular union dues or assessments shall not be con-
29 strued as participating in or financing or being directly
30 interested in a labor dispute.