

# HOUSE . . . . No. 1037

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By Mr. Tilden of Scituate, petition of Nathaniel Tilden relative to extending the benefits of the old age assistance law to certain persons not citizens of the United States. Pensions and Old Age Assistance.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

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AN ACT EXTENDING THE BENEFITS OF THE OLD AGE ASSISTANCE LAW, SO CALLED, TO CERTAIN PERSONS NOT CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES.

*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 of chapter 118A of the General Laws, as  
2 amended, is hereby further amended by striking out  
3 the first sentence, as appearing in section 1 of chapter  
4 489 of the acts of 1943, and inserting in place thereof  
5 the following: — Adequate assistance to deserving per-  
6 sons in need of relief and support sixty-five years of  
7 age or over who shall have resided in the common-  
8 wealth not less than three years during the nine years  
9 immediately preceding the date of application for  
10 such assistance and who shall have resided in the com-  
11 monwealth continuously for one year immediately  
12 preceding said date of application shall be granted  
13 under the supervision of the department of public

14 welfare, in this chapter called the department; pro-  
15 vided, that no person who is not a citizen of the United  
16 States shall be eligible to receive such assistance who  
17 has not resided therein during the twenty-five years  
18 immediately preceding said date.