

SENATE No. 432

To accompany the petition of Philip D. Bonnet and others for legislation relative to hospital expenses in connection with the support of certain poor persons. Public Welfare.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-Three.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO HOSPITAL EXPENSES IN CONNECTION WITH THE SUPPORT OF CERTAIN POOR PERSONS.

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 18 of chapter 122 of the General Laws is
2 hereby amended by striking out the fifth sentence, as
3 appearing in chapter 489 of the acts of 1951, and in-
4 serting in place thereof the following sentence:—
5 There shall be paid to a hospital for the support of a
6 person in that hospital the amount of its average es-
7 tablished charges for care in public wards.

8 Such amount shall not exceed in any hospital its aver-
9 age per diem cost for public ward patients, nor shall
10 it exceed in any hospital ninety-five per cent of its
11 average over-all per diem cost for all patients.

