

By Mr. Hickey of Boston, petition of William J. McCluskey relative to employees and students at the Massachusetts Maritime Academy. Education.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE EMPLOYEES AND STUDENTS AT
THE MASSACHUSETTS MARITIME ACADEMY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 74 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 striking out section 49, as amended by section 2 of chap-
3 ter 499 of the acts of 1952, and inserting in place thereof
4 the following section: —
5 *Section 49.* The board of commissioners of the Massa-
6 chusetts maritime academy shall provide and maintain
7 a nautical school for the instruction of students in the
8 science and practice of navigation, seamanship and ma-
9 rine engineering, accommodations therefor upon a proper
10 vessel or at such other location as the commissioners
11 shall designate, books, stationery, apparatus and sup-
12 plies needed in the work thereof. The commissioners
13 shall appoint a superintendent who shall be the adminis-
14 trative officer of the academy and may appoint only
15 such other employees as the superintendent shall nomi-
16 nate. The commissioners shall determine the compen-
17 sation of all employees. Employees of the academic de-
18 partment may be discharged only on the recommenda-
19 tion of the superintendent and the consent of the com-
20 missioners. Any discharged employee, shall, upon his
21 request be given a hearing by the commissioners and

22 may be represented by counsel. The commissioners shall
23 fix the terms upon which the students shall be received
24 and instructed therein and may make all the necessary
25 rules and regulations for its management; provided,
26 however, that in all cases in which a student is charged
27 with an infraction of the rules and/or regulations, the
28 case shall be considered promptly by the superintendent,
29 and his action thereon shall be final, except in those
30 cases where a student is to be discharged. No student
31 may be discharged for an infraction of the rules and/or
32 regulations without a hearing by the board of commis-
33 sioners at which the student may be represented by
34 counsel. Only cases involving discharge may be referred
35 to the commissioners. The commissioners shall provide
36 for an annual cruise and shall establish an annual serv-
37 ice fee for each midshipman, other than out-of-state
38 students, in an amount not less than one hundred and
39 fifty dollars.