

HOUSE No. 2895

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 20, 1956.

The committee on Labor and Industries, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 960) of the Massachusetts Federation of Labor and Gerald P. Lombard relative to extending the coverage of workers under the Workmen's Compensation Act, report the accompanying bill (House, No. 2895).

For the committee,

JOHN F. X. DAVOREN.

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

AN ACT EXTENDING THE COVERAGE OF WORKERS UNDER THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT.

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

1 Paragraph (4) of section 1 of chapter 152 of the Gen-
2 eral Laws is hereby amended by striking out the third
3 paragraph, as most recently amended by chapter 755 of
4 the acts of 1955, and inserting in place thereof the
5 following paragraph: —

6 The provisions of this chapter shall remain elective as
7 to the employers of the following: — persons other than
8 laborers, workmen and mechanics employed by religious,
9 charitable or educational institutions, except that in the
10 case of employers of farm laborers or domestic servants
11 the provisions of this chapter shall continue to remain
12 elective with respect to the hiring of seasonal or casual
13 laborers and seasonal, casual or part-time domestic serv-
14 ants. For the purposes of this paragraph, a part-time
15 domestic servant is one who works in the employ of the
16 employer less than sixteen hours per week.