

SENATE No. 759

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

SENATE, July 18, 1957.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom was referred the Senate Bill relative to public hearings on appeals to the governor and council from decisions or determinations by the commissioner of veterans' services concerning veterans' benefits (Senate, No. 738), report recommending that the same be amended by substituting therefor a new draft entitled "An Act providing that a committee of the executive council shall hold public hearings, if so requested, on certain appeals from decisions of the commissioner of veterans' services" (Senate, No. 759), and that, when so amended, the same will be correctly drawn.

For the committee,

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

AN ACT PROVIDING THAT A COMMITTEE OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL SHALL HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS, IF SO REQUESTED, ON CERTAIN APPEALS FROM DECISIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER OF VETERANS' SERVICES.

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

1 The third paragraph of section 2 of chapter 115 of the
2 General Laws, as amended by section 3 of chapter 590 of
3 the acts of 1951, is hereby further amended by adding at the
4 end the following two sentences:— The committee of the
5 council to which any such appeal is referred shall, if requested,
6 hold a public hearing thereon and make a report of its recom-
7 mendations in writing to the governor and council. It at
8 any time during such public hearing it shall appear that less
9 than a majority of the members of such committee is present,
10 the said hearing shall be suspended, recessed or postponed
11 until a majority is present.