

By Mr. Coady of Cambridge, petition of Thomas F. Coady, Jr., relative to the furnishing of medical care to recipients of old age assistance. Pensions and Old Age Assistance.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE FURNISHING OF MEDICAL CARE TO RECIPIENTS OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE.

*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. Section 1 of chapter 118A of the General Laws  
2 is hereby amended by striking out the paragraph thereof inserted  
3 by chapter 441 of the acts of 1945, and inserting in place thereof  
4 the following new paragraph: —

5 Such assistance shall also provide for adequate medical care  
6 for every recipient of assistance under this chapter, including  
7 therein provision for the service of a physician of his choice as  
8 often as such physician or the recipient deems necessary, and  
9 provision for such consultations, X-ray or laboratory work as  
10 such physician may require. The physician on completion of his  
11 examination on the first visit for each patient shall submit a  
12 report of his diagnosis, treatment and prognosis, together with  
13 his bill. Any physician proved to be exploiting the illness of  
14 a recipient for personal gain shall not be paid for services ren-  
15 dered to a recipient. No rule or regulation abridging or conflict-  
16 ing with the provisions hereof shall be adopted by the welfare  
17 board of the commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof.

1 SECTION 2. Copies of this act shall be kept available to the  
2 public by the welfare board of the state and each city and town.

1 SECTION 3. Fees paid to physicians shall conform to pre-  
2 vailing rates charged in the community.

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THE CANADIAN ACT OF PARLIAMENTS

IN THE SEVENTH YEAR OF THE REIGN OF HIS MAJESTY GEORGE V.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CANADIAN ACT OF PARLIAMENTS, PASSED IN THE SEVENTH YEAR OF THE REIGN OF HIS MAJESTY GEORGE V.

ENACTED BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF COMMONS OF CANADA IN PARLIAMENTS ASSEMBLED: THAT WHEREAS

it is expedient that the provisions of the said Act should be amended in certain respects, and that the amendments should be made in the manner hereinafter expressed;

That the said Act be amended in the manner hereinafter expressed, that is to say, that the words "and the members of the Senate and House of Commons" in the said Act be deleted;

That the words "and the members of the Senate and House of Commons" in the said Act be replaced by the words "and the members of the Senate and House of Commons and the members of the Executive Council";

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