

HOUSE No. 1449

By Mr. Como of Chicopee (by request), petition of Gerald L. Delisle that provision be made for the bi-weekly payment of salaries of state employees. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROVIDING THAT SALARIES PAYABLE BY THE COMMONWEALTH SHALL BE PAID BI-WEEKLY.

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. Chapter 29 of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by striking out section 31, as most recently amended
3 by section 1 of chapter 386 of the acts of 1949, and inserting in
4 place thereof the following section: —

5 *Section 31.* Salaries payable by the commonwealth shall,
6 unless otherwise provided, be paid bi-weekly. No salary shall
7 be paid to any person for a longer period than that during which
8 he has been actually employed in the duties of his office. If a
9 salary shall be diminished, no greater rate shall be paid because
10 of any previous appropriation therefor. Notwithstanding the
11 foregoing provisions of this section, the annual salary of each
12 teacher and each supervisor employed in any school or college
13 within any department of the commonwealth, whose regular
14 service is rendered from September first to June thirtieth, shall
15 be for his service for the number of weeks established by the
16 department for such school to be in session during said period,
17 payable, however, in equal bi-weekly instalments and the
18 amount earned and unpaid at the time of his resignation, re-
19 tirement, death or entry on leave of absence shall be paid forth-

20 with to the persons entitled thereto, and advances of pay may
21 be made to any state officer or employee in advance of his regular
22 vacation to the extent of the pay to which he is about to become
23 entitled during such vacation period under such regulations as
24 the state treasurer may prescribe.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on July first, nineteen
2 hundred and fifty-eight; provided, however, that the first pay-
3 ment of salaries hereunder shall be made on August first, nine-
4 teen hundred and fifty-eight, and shall be for services to the
5 commonwealth up to and including July fifteenth, nineteen hun-
6 dred and fifty-eight. Thereafter each person in the employ of the
7 commonwealth shall be paid bi-weekly for such services; pro-
8 vided, that such payment shall be for services for the period
9 ending two weeks prior to the date of such payment.