

HOUSE No. 1477

By Mr. Bradley of Somerville, petition of G. Edward Bradley relative to payment by the Department of Public Welfare of bills incurred by dependent children or aged persons under its supervision for services rendered or appliances prescribed by a professional. Public Welfare.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO PAYMENT BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE OF BILLS INCURRED BY DEPENDENT CHILDREN OR AGED PEOPLE UNDER ITS SUPERVISION FOR SERVICES RENDERED OR APPLIANCES PRESCRIBED BY A PROFESSIONAL.

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. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general
2 or special law to the contrary, the state department of public
3 welfare is hereby prohibited from making or enforcing any rule or
4 regulation relative to its payment of any bills incurred by de-
5 pendent children or aged persons under its supervision for serv-
6 ices rendered or appliances prescribed by a professional on the
7 sole ground that such bill was not submitted promptly enough,
8 if such bill is submitted to the department within one year of
9 having been incurred.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall be retroactive as to all such bills
2 incurred for such services or appliances since January first,
3 nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.

The Constitution of the United States

Article I, Section 1

All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.

Section 1. The House of Representatives shall be composed of Members chosen every second Year by the People of the several States, and the Electors in each State shall have the Qualifications requisite for Electors of the most numerous Branch of the State Legislature.

2. No Representative shall be chosen for a Term longer than two Years, but he shall be eligible for Re-election immediately after the first Meeting of the Legislature in which he may be re-elected.

3. The Electors in each State shall have the Qualifications requisite for Electors of the most numerous Branch of the State Legislature.