

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 2287

By Mr. Capraro of Boston, petition of Charles W. Capraro for legislation to increase the minimum fair wage rate. Labor and Industries.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

### AN ACT INCREASING THE MINIMUM FAIR WAGE RATE.

*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 7 of chapter 151 of the General Laws is  
2 hereby amended by striking out the second paragraph, as most  
3 recently amended by section 1 of chapter 616 of the acts of 1958,  
4 and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:—

5 No wage board, however, can recommend minimum fair wage  
6 rates below [ninety cents] **one dollar** per hour, except for  
7 learners and apprentices, and except for service people who  
8 regularly receive gratuities and whose minimum fair wage rates  
9 shall not be below sixty-five cents per hour, and except for  
10 janitors and caretakers of residential property, who, when fur-  
11 nished with living quarters, shall be paid a wage of not less than  
12 twenty-eight dollars per week, and except for services as golf  
13 caddies.

1 SECTION 2. Existing minimum wage orders which have been  
2 promulgated under the provisions of chapter one hundred and  
3 fifty-one and which, on the effective date of this act, contain  
4 minimum wage requirements less than those provided herein  
5 shall on the effective date of this act automatically advance to  
6 the minimums set forth herein and the commissioner of labor  
7 and industries shall issue a mandatory order to that effect prior  
8 to said date.

By the Commission on Public Administration, created by Act No. 100, Laws of 1954, as amended.

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