

HOUSE No. 1478

By Mr. Costello of Boston, petition of John W. Costello for the encouragement of prompt payment of workmen's compensation benefits in serious injury cases resulting in death. Labor and Industries.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE PROMPT PAYMENTS OF WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BENEFITS IN SERIOUS INJURY CASES RESULTING IN DEATH.

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 31 of chapter 152, General Laws, as most
2 recently amended by chapter 357 of the acts of 1950,
3 is hereby amended by adding at the end the following
4 paragraph:—

5 In all cases under this section, if the employee has
6 not been paid all weekly compensation for incapacity
7 due to the injury which caused his death, the de-
8 pendent or dependents entitled to compensation
9 under this section shall also be entitled to such benefits
10 as may have been due the employee before his death,
11 whether or not claim had been previously formally
12 made.

