SENATE No. 223

By Mr. Donahue, a petition of Maurice A. Donahue for legislation to provide civil service examinations for certain positions in the Department of Mental Health, Civil Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Seven.

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH UNASSEMBLED CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS FOR CERTAIN POSITIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Section 6A of Chapter 31 of the General Laws is hereby 2 amended to read as follows: -

Positions requiring a diplomate in clinical psychology of the 4 American Board of Examiners in Professional Psychology, Inc., 5 or a master's degree or doctorate in psychology or a master's 6 degree in social work or a bachelor's degree in occupational 7 therapy under Section 4B of Chapter 19 of the General Laws, 8 as inserted by Chapter 365, Acts of 1962 and 1965, shall be 9 filled through an unassembled civil service examination based 10 upon professional training and experience, without written 11 examination. Review boards shall be developed by the director 12 of civil service for each professional discipline, consisting of 13 three persons: a member of the division of civil service, a 14 member appointed from the state professional association for 15 that discipline, and the chief of service for the appropriate 16 discipline in the department of mental health. These boards 17 shall develop regulations to evaluate the training and experi-18 ence of applicants, provide a grade based upon these evalua-19 tions, employ consultants, and conduct oral examinations in 20 special instances, in conformity with civil service procedures. 21 The board members appointed from the state professional 22 association will serve for three years, and will be paid a fee

23 of \$50 per half day session for each period that the board

24 convenes.