

HOUSE No. 498

By Mr. Sawyer of Ware, petition of Roland D. Sawyer and Alfred Baker Lewis for legislation to prohibit the issuance of injunctions in connection with labor disputes. Judiciary (Joint).

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act to prohibit the Issuance of Certain Injunctions
in Labor Disputes.

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. Injunctions shall not be issued in the
2 course of a labor dispute to prohibit or regulate any
3 act that is not a crime, or that is not a breach of a
4 contract entered into by the respondent in the in-
5 junction proceedings; provided, however, that nothing
6 in this act shall be construed to give any party a right
7 to an injunction in any case where such a right does
8 not exist independently of this act.

1 SECTION 2. The words "labor dispute" as used
2 in this act shall be interpreted so as to include boy-
3 cotts, strikes, lockouts, and disputes of any kind
4 between one or more employers and one or more
5 employees.

1 SECTION 3. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent
2 with the above act are hereby repealed.

