

SENATE No. 255

To accompany the petition of the Massachusetts Federation of Labor, by Kenneth J. Kelley, for legislation to provide for increased benefits under the employment security law. Labor and Industries.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR INCREASED BENEFITS UNDER THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW.

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. Chapter 151A of the General Laws is
2 hereby amended by striking out therefrom section 30,
3 as amended, and inserting in place thereof the fol-
4 lowing: —

5 *Section 30.* The total benefits which an unem-
6 ployed individual may receive during his benefit year
7 shall be an amount equal to thirty-three and one third
8 per cent of his wages in the base period, or an amount
9 equal to twenty-six times his benefit rate, whichever is
10 the lesser. If such amount includes a fractional part
11 of a dollar, it shall be raised to the next highest dollar.

1 SECTION 2. Subsection (b) (2) of section 14 of
2 chapter 151A of the General Laws is hereby amended
3 by adding the following words at the end of this sub-

4 section:— and provided further that on and after
5 April first, nineteen hundred and fifty-two, benefit
6 wages charged against each employer shall include
7 that part of wages not in excess of twenty-three hun-
8 dred dollars paid by him in a base period.