

By Mr. Condon of Boston, petition of Russell G. Oswald relative to the appointment of correction officers of the Department of Correction. The Correctional System.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT AS TO THE APPOINTMENT OF CORRECTION OFFICERS OF
THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION.

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

1 Chapter 125, section 9 of the General Laws, as inserted by
2 chapter 770 of the acts of 1956, is hereby amended by striking
3 out in section 9, in the sixth line, the word "provisional", so
4 as to read as follows:—

5 *Section 9.* The commissioner shall establish a training
6 school for officers of the department of correction. In accord-
7 ance with section four the division of civil service shall certify
8 the names of applicants from an established list for correction
9 officers to the commissioner, who shall appoint said applicants
10 as correction officers. Those employees shall be assigned to
11 a period of training not to exceed eight weeks, to include the
12 use of firearms, judo training and a course of lectures relating
13 to the problems of crime, and criminal detention, rules and
14 regulations of the said department, together with its proce-
15 dures, policies and practices. After completing a training
16 period the employee shall be assigned to a correctional insti-
17 tution of the commonwealth. The training period shall be
18 considered a part of the probationary period which he must
19 serve before becoming a permanent employee of the depart-
20 ment.

21 Additional courses of training shall be instituted for existing
22 permanent correction officers, employees of said department
23 who have not reached their fiftieth birthday.

24 The commissioner is authorized to expend money to main-
25 tain an employee during the period of in-service training.

26 The deputy commissioner in charge of personnel and train-
27 ing shall organize, establish and maintain the training school,
28 and may be assisted by other employees appointed by the
29 commissioner as instructors.

30 Any employee as an instructor, or others assigned for a
31 period of training, shall be responsible to and under the control
32 of the said deputy commissioner during the period so assigned.

33 The commissioner may expend such sums as may be ap-
34 propriated to maintain and operate said training school.