

By Mr. Kitchen of Fall River (by request), petition of Mario F. Vincola for legislation to extend the provisions of the heart law, so-called, to certain employees of the Division of Youth Service. Pensions and Old Age Assistance.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT EXTENDING THE PROVISIONS OF PRESUMPTION OF DISABILITY IN THE LINE OF SERVICE TO CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICE.

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 32 of the General Laws is hereby amended by strik-
2 ing out section 94, as most recently amended by chapter 580 of
3 the acts of 1956, and inserting in place thereof the following
4 section:—

5 *Section 94.* Notwithstanding the provisions of any general
6 or special law to the contrary affecting the non-contributory or
7 contributory system, any condition of impairment of health
8 caused by hypertension or heart disease resulting in total or
9 partial disability or death to a uniformed member of a paid fire
10 department or permanent member of a police department, or
11 of the police force of the metropolitan district commission, or
12 of the state police in the department of public safety, or of the
13 capitol police, or of the public works building police, or to any
14 employee of the registry of motor vehicles in the department of
15 public works who entered the service of the registry as an investi-
16 gator or examiner and performed police duty, or to any employee
17 in the department of correction whose regular or incidental
18 duties require the care, supervision or custody of prisoners,
19 criminally insane persons or defective delinquents, or to any
20 permanent crash crewman, crash boatman, fire controlman or
21 assistant fire controlman employed at the General Edward
22 Lawrence Logan International Airport, or to any employee
23 within the division of youth service whose duties require the

24 care and supervision of youthful offenders, shall, if he success-
 25 fully passed a physical examination on entry into such service,
 26 which examination failed to reveal any evidence of such condi-
 27 tion, be presumed to have been suffered in line of duty, unless
 28 the contrary be shown by competent evidence.