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SENATE No. 616

By Mr. Backman, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 616) of Jack H. Backman and John A. Businger for legislation to regulate the eligibility of prisoners for parole. Human Services and Elderly Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty.

AN ACT REGULATING THE ELIGIBILITY OF PRISONERS FOR PAROLE.

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 127 of the General Laws, section 133A,
2 as most recently amended by Chapter 278 of the Acts of 1973,
3 is hereby amended by striking out the words "and except
4 prisoners serving a life sentence for murder in the first de-
5 gree" on line four and inserting in place thereof the follow-
6 ing last paragraph: — Prisoners serving a life sentence for
7 murder in the first degree shall be eligible for parole in fifteen
8 years subject to the foregoing procedures in this section.

1 SECTION 2. Chapter 127 of the General Laws, section 133A,
2 as most recently amended by Chapter 278 of the Acts of 1973,
3 is hereby amended by striking out the word "fifteen" in line
4 six and inserting in place thereof the following word: — ten.

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Section 1. Chapter 17 of the Code of Laws of 1833, as amended by Chapter 278 of the Acts of 1852, is hereby amended by striking out the words "and shall be printed in a full column for insertion in the following form" on line four and inserting in their stead the following paragraph: — "Printed as follows: the words in the first column shall be printed in the second column in the following manner in this section."

Section 2. Chapter 187 of the Code of Laws of 1833, as amended by Chapter 278 of the Acts of 1852, is hereby amended by striking out the words "and shall be printed in a full column for insertion in the following form" on line four and inserting in their stead the following paragraph: — "Printed as follows: the words in the first column shall be printed in the second column in the following manner in this section."