
By Mr. Hall (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 673) of Richard J. Girouard and others for legislation to establish Flag Day as a legal holiday. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Six.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING FLAG DAY AS A LEGAL HOLIDAY.

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. Section 7 of chapter 4 of the General Laws is
2 hereby amended by striking out clause eighteen, as most re-
3 cently amended by section 1 of chapter 493 of the acts of 1974,
4 and inserting in place thereof the following clause: —

5 Eighteen, "Legal holiday" shall include January the first,
6 January the fifteenth, July the fourth and Christmas day, or
7 the day following when any of said days occur on Sunday, and
8 the third Monday in February, the third Monday in April, the
9 last Monday in May, June the fourteenth, the first Monday in
10 September, the second Monday in October, November eleventh,
11 and Thanksgiving Day. "Legal holiday" shall also include,
12 with respect to Suffolk county only, March the seventeenth
13 and June the seventeenth, or the day following when said days
14 occur on Sunday; provided, however, that the words "legal
15 holiday" as used in section forty-five of chapter one hundred
16 and forty-nine shall not include March the seventeenth, or the
17 day following when said day occurs on Sunday.

1 SECTION 2. Section 13 of chapter 136 of the General Laws,
2 as most recently amended by section 2 of said chapter 493, is
3 hereby further amended by striking out the first paragraph
4 and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph: —

5 The provisions of sections five to eleven, inclusive, shall,
6 except as provided in section fourteen, apply to all legal
7 holidays, except January the fifteenth, third Monday in
8 February, th third Monday in April, March seventeenth, June

9 fourteenth, June seventeenth, and the fourth Monday in
10 October after one o'clock post meridian, or on the day follow-
11 ing when either of said days occur on a Sunday.