

SENATE No. 1337

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

SENATE, March 15, 1976.

The committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 753) of the Massachusetts State Board of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, by John P. Conolly, president, and others for legislation to designate March seventeenth as a legal holiday; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1777) of Michael F. Flaherty that March seventeenth be designated as a legal holiday throughout the Commonwealth, reports the accompanying bill (Senate, No. 1337).

For the Committee,

SEN. WILLIAM X. WALL

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE OBSERVANCE OF MARCH THE SEVENTEENTH THROUGHOUT THE COMMONWEALTH IN THE YEAR NINETEEN HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SIX.

Whereas, the deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose which is to immediately provide for the observance of March the seventeenth, it is hereby declared an emergency act, immediately necessary for the public convenience.

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

- 1 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 4 of chapter 7 of
- 2 the General Laws, March the seventeenth shall be celebrated
- 3 as a legal holiday throughout the Commonwealth in the year
- 4 nineteen hundred and seventy-six only; and furthermore, that
- 5 the provisions of sections five through eleven, inclusive, of chap-
- 6 ter one hundred and thirty-six of the General Laws shall apply
- 7 to said holiday.