

SENATE No. 492

By Mr. Berry, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 492) of Frederick E. Berry and William R. Keating for legislation to provide for security and a safe environment in public housing. Housing and Urban Development.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Two.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR SECURITY AND A SAFE ENVIRONMENT IN PUBLIC HOUSING.

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. Amends Section 121 by adding a new
2 Section 60.

3 The Commonwealth acting by and through the department,
4 shall design and fund a security program for family, elderly and
5 handicapped housing.

6 The program shall be administered statewide in cooperation
7 with local housing authorizities. The program shall include but
8 not be limited to:

- 9 a) implementation of tenant training at time of tenant selection
- 10 b) implementation of a youth services program
- 11 c) implementation of neighborhood crime watch program
- 12 d) implementation of local police liaison program
- 13 e) increased housing authority investigative officers
- 14 f) implementation of "team police" concept
- 15 g) established data base to study results of local housing
- 16 authorities participating.

1 SECTION 2. The program shall be funded through an annual
2 appropriation administered by the Executive Office of
3 Communities and Development at the cost of ten million dollars.

