

# HOUSE . . . . No. 1386

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 10, 1920.

The committee on State Administration, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 853) of the Women's Trade Union League relative to the establishment of a research bureau for the purpose of studying the causes of unemployment and making recommendations for the prevention of unemployment, report the accompanying bill.

For the committee,

JOSEPH L. LARSON.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty.

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### AN ACT

To provide for the Organization within the Department of Labor and Industries of a Bureau of Industrial Statistics and to prescribe its Functions.

*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 three hundred and fifty of the General Acts of  
2 the year nineteen hundred and nineteen is hereby  
3 amended by inserting after section sixty-nine thereof, a  
4 new section as follows: — *Section 69A.* The commis-  
5 sioner of labor and industries shall make provision in his  
6 department for the organization of a division to be  
7 designated the bureau of industrial statistics. Said  
8 bureau shall be in the immediate charge of a director,  
9 who shall be appointed in accordance with the provisions  
10 of section seventy-four of this act. In addition to the  
11 functions transferred from the former bureau of statistics  
12 to the department of labor and industries as provided in  
13 section sixty-nine of this act the bureau of industrial  
14 statistics shall be charged with specific functions, namely,  
15 the collection and compilation of information with refer-  
16 ence to employment and unemployment and the publica-  
17 tion, at least once each year, of a report embodying such

18 information, together with recommendations for remedial  
19 legislation for the purpose of preventing unemployment.  
20 There may be expended for this additional work such  
21 sum for salaries and contingent expenses as the general  
22 court may appropriate.

