

Mr. Clemons of Wakefield presented a petition of M. E. S. Clemons for an amendment of the law requiring public officials to obtain security for the payment of labor and purchase of materials under contracts for public buildings or public works. Joint Judiciary. April 11.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-Four.

An Act relative to the Security furnished for Payment of
Labor on Public Works.

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 one hundred and forty-nine of the General
2 Laws is hereby amended by striking out section twenty-
3 nine and inserting in place thereof the following:—

4 *Section 29.* Officers or agents who contract in behalf
5 of any county, city or town for the performance of a
6 governmental function including the construction or re-
7 pair of public buildings or other public works shall
8 obtain sufficient security, by bond or otherwise, for the
9 payment by the contractor and sub-contractors for labor
10 performed or furnished and materials used under such
11 contracts, but to obtain the benefit of such security the
12 claimant shall file in the office of the treasurer of the
13 county or of the city or town clerk a sworn statement
14 of his claim within sixty days after the claimant ceases
15 to perform labor or furnish labor or materials.

