

# SENATE . . . . No. 665

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To accompany the petition of John E. Powers for legislation relative to the payment of allowances for travel and other expenses for certain officers and employees of the General Court. Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE PAYMENT OF ALLOWANCES FOR TRAVEL AND OTHER EXPENSES FOR CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE GENERAL COURT.

1 *Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would  
2 tend to defeat its purpose, which is to provide at  
3 once for the payment of allowances for travel and  
4 other expenses, therefore this act is hereby declared  
5 to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate  
6 preservation of 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 SECTION 1. Chapter three of the General Laws is  
2 hereby amended by striking out section twenty, as  
3 most recently amended by section two of chapter  
4 four hundred and eighty-eight of the acts of 1945,  
5 and inserting in place thereof the following section: —  
6 *Section 20.* The sergeant-at-arms, doorkeepers,  
7 assistant doorkeepers, general court officers and pages,

8 the clerks in the sergeant-at-arms' office, the clerk,  
9 assistant clerk and other assistants in the legislative  
10 document room, the clerks, assistant clerks and clerical  
11 assistants to the clerks of the senate and house of  
12 representatives, the employees of the committees on  
13 rules and ways and means of the senate and house of  
14 representatives, and the porter in the lobby of the  
15 house of representatives, shall each receive for each  
16 annual session such sum for travel and other expenses  
17 as may be established by the committees on rules  
18 of the two branches of the general court acting con-  
19 currently. Payments authorized under this section  
20 shall be made from the treasury of the commonwealth  
21 upon the certificate of the sergeant-at-arms approved  
22 by the president of the senate and the speaker of the  
23 house of representatives.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall be effective as of January  
2 first in the current year.