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[Bill accompanying the petition of George Holden Tinkham for legislation to extend the application of the so-called eight-hour law to certain public employees and employees of contractors. Labor. Feb. 5.]

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Three.

AN ACT

Relative to Laborers, Mechanics and Per Diem Employees of the Commonwealth or of any City or Town thereof.

*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. No laborer or mechanic, and no  
2 employee paid a per diem compensation by the  
3 Commonwealth or any county, city or town  
4 thereof, or by any contractor or sub-contractor  
5 thereof, shall be required or allowed to work more  
6 than eight hours in any one calender day on any  
7 work done by or for the Commonwealth or any

8 county, city or town thereof, except in cases of  
9 extraordinary emergency, such as might be caused  
10 by fire, flood or danger to life or property.

1 SECTION 2. Any officer, agent, contractor or  
2 sub-contractor of the Commonwealth, or of any  
3 city or town thereof, who shall violate the pro-  
4 visions of this act shall, upon conviction thereof,  
5 be punished by a fine not exceeding one thousand  
6 dollars or by imprisonment in the house of correc-  
7 tion not exceeding six months, or by both such  
8 fine and imprisonment.

1 SECTION 3. The provisions of this act shall  
2 not apply to or affect contractors or sub-contract-  
3 ors for work for which contracts have been  
4 entered into prior to the passage of this act.

1 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its  
2 passage.