

HOUSE No. 899.

Bill accompanying the petition of Mark N. Skerrett and another for legislation to extend the application of the eight hour law to certain employees. Labor. February 3.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Four.

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 other
2 employee paid a per diem compensation by the Com-
3 monwealth or by any county, city or town thereof, or
4 by any contractor or sub-contractor thereof, shall be
5 required or allowed to work more than eight hours
6 in any one calendar day on any work done by or for the
7 Commonwealth or any county, city or town thereof, ex-
8 cept in cases of extraordinary emergency, such as might
9 be caused by fire, flood or danger to life or property.

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

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

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