

SENATE No. 204.

To accompany the petition of John J. Mitchell that the word "conspiracy" in dispute between employers and employees may be better defined. Joint Judiciary.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seven.

AN ACT

Relative to Agreements, Combinations and Contracts in Reference to Trade Disputes between Employers and Employees.

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 agreement, combination or con-
2 tract by or between two or more persons to do or
3 procure to be done, or not to do or procure not to
4 be done, any act in contemplation or furtherance of
5 any trade dispute between employers and employees
6 in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts or between
7 employers and employees who may be engaged in
8 trade or commerce in said Commonwealth, shall be

9 deemed criminal; nor shall those engaged therein
10 be indictable or otherwise punishable for the crime
11 of conspiracy, if such act committed by one person
12 would not be punishable as a crime; nor shall such
13 agreement, combination or contract be considered as
14 in restraint of trade or commerce, nor shall any re-
15 straining order or injunction be issued with relation
16 thereto.

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