

By Mr. Della Chiesa of Quincy, petition of Amelio A. Della Chiesa that persons engaged in contracts for public works be required to pay additional damages to the Commonwealth or political subdivisions thereof if found guilty of certain crimes. The Judiciary.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Eight.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR DOUBLE DAMAGES TO THE COMMONWEALTH OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THEREOF TO BE PAID BY PERSONS FOUND GUILTY OF CERTAIN CRIMES.

*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 30 of the General Laws is hereby  
2 amended by inserting after section 39M, as added by section  
3 1 of chapter 842 of the acts of 1963, the following sec-  
4 tion:—

5 *Section 39N.* Any person who contracts with the common-  
6 wealth or any political subdivision thereof for the perform-  
7 ance of any work or labor, or for providing any materials, and  
8 thereafter is convicted of any criminal offense the basis of  
9 which is the unlawful obtaining of money from the common-  
10 wealth or any political subdivision thereof as the result of  
11 said contract, shall be liable in contract for double the  
12 amount of money so obtained together with interest at the  
13 rate of six per cent per annum from the date of receipt of the  
14 same.

1 SECTION 2. The provisions of this act shall apply to any  
2 contract whether entered into before or after the effective  
3 date hereof.

By the Clerk of the House, William H. ... the House ...

The Constitution of the United States

Article I, Section 1, Clause 1

All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.

The Senate shall be composed of two Senators from each State, elected by the Legislature thereof, for six years; and each Senator shall have one Vote.

1. The Senate shall have the sole Power to try all Impeachments, when the Senate shall be sitting on that Purpose.

2. The Senators and Judges shall hold their Offices during good Behaviour.

3. The President shall have the Power, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Senate, to make Treaties, provided two thirds of the Senators present concur.

4. He shall nominate, and, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Senate, shall appoint and discontinue, in the same Manner, the Ambassadors, other public Ministers and Consuls, Judges of the supreme Court, Judges of such inferior Courts as may be, and all other Officers of the United States, whose Appointments are in his Power.

5. The President shall have the Power, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Senate, to receive Ambassadors and other public Ministers.