

HOUSE No. 4828

By Mr. Delahunt of Quincy, petition of William D. Delahunt that provision be made for the payment of interest on unpaid salaries due to certain employees. Commerce and Labor.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Four.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF INTEREST ON UNPAID SALARIES.

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 148 of chapter 149 of the General Laws is hereby
- 2 amended by striking out the last paragraph and inserting in place
- 3 thereof the following paragraph: —
- 4 Whoever violates this section shall pay interest to the
- 5 employee at a rate of one and one-half percent per month on any
- 6 wages not paid within the time limits set by this Section and shall
- 7 be punished by a fine of not less than twenty dollars nor more
- 8 than one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the house of
- 9 correction for not more than two months or both. The
- 10 commonwealth shall not be exempt from the payment of such
- 11 interest.

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