
By Ms. Amick, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 579) of Carol C. Amick, Jason Korell and Genevra R. Counihan for legislation to designate April nineteenth a legal holiday. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT DESIGNATING APRIL NINETEENTH A LEGAL HOLIDAY.

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. Section 7 of chapter 4 of the General Laws is
2 hereby amended by striking out clause eighteen, as most re-
3 cently amended by section 1 of chapter 112 of the acts of 1976,
4 and inserting in place thereof the following clause: —

5 Eighteen, "Legal Holiday" shall include January first,
6 January fifteenth, May twentieth, July fourth and Christmas
7 Day, or the day following when any of said days occur on
8 Sunday, and the third Monday in February, April nineteenth,
9 the last Monday in May, the first, Monday in September, the
10 second Monday in October, November eleventh and Thanks-
11 giving Day. "Legal Holiday", shall also include, with respect
12 to Suffolk county only, March seventeenth and June seven-
13 teenth or the day following when said days occur on Sunday;
14 provided, however, that the words "legal holiday" as used in
15 section forty-five of chapter one hundred and forty-nine shall
16 not include March seventeenth, or the day following when
17 said days occur on Sunday.

1 SECTION 2. Chapter 136 of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by striking out section 12, as most recently amended
3 by section 2 of chapter 112 of the acts of 1976, and inserting
4 in place thereof the following section: —

5 *Section 12.* The public offices shall be closed on all legal
6 holidays except March seventeenth, April nineteenth, May
7 twentieth and June seventeenth; provided, however, in Suffolk
8 county such offices shall be closed on March seventeenth and
9 June seventeenth or the day following when either of said

10 days occur on Sunday.

1 SECTION 3. Said chapter 136 is hereby further amended by
2 striking out section 13, as most recently amended by section 3
3 of chapter 112 of the acts of 1976, and inserting in place
4 thereof the following section: —

5 *Section 13.* The provisions of sections five to eleven, inclu-
6 sive, shall, except as provided in section fourteen, apply to all
7 legal holidays, except January fifteenth, the third Monday in
8 February, March seventeenth, April nineteenth, May twentieth,
9 June seventeenth, and November eleventh after one o'clock
10 post meridian, or the day following when either of said days
11 occurs on Sunday.

12 Any establishment which operates on November eleventh
13 under the exemption granted by this section shall pay to those
14 employees required to work on this day, time and one-half or
15 such larger sum as may be determined by contract.