

SENATE No. 727

By Mr. Fitzpatrick, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 727) of John H. Fitzpatrick for legislation to grant the superior court jurisdiction to order employers and insurers to furnish employees with certain medical reports regarding workmen's compensation claims. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT GRANTING THE SUPERIOR COURT JURISDICTION TO ORDER EMPLOYERS AND INSURERS TO FURNISH EMPLOYEES WITH CERTAIN MEDICAL REPORTS REGARDING WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION CLAIMS.

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 20A of chapter 152 of the General Laws is hereby
- 2 amended by adding at the end thereof the following: —
- 3 If the employer or insurer fails to furnish the claimant, or
- 4 a person acting on his behalf, or his attorney, with a copy of
- 5 such report within twenty days after a written request there-
- 6 for, the superior court shall have jurisdiction, upon petition of
- 7 the claimant, to order said employer or insurer to furnish said
- 8 claimant with a copy of such report, together with court costs
- 9 and reasonable attorney's fees.

