

By Mr. Bulger (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1150) of Leonard O'Dolan for legislation to rescind all agreements and laws of compulsory arbitration. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT TO RESCIND ALL AGREEMENTS AND LAWS OF COMPULSORY ARBITRATION.

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. *Whereas*, Compulsory Arbitration designed to  
2 correct a situation, no longer has value as a program.

3 *Whereas*, Compulsory arbitration too often supersedes a  
4 political unit's inability and unwillingness to raise taxes.

5 *Whereas*, the very idea of pay raise is, nowadays, transitory  
6 in nature, is getting to be obsolete.

1 SECTION 2. *Whereas*, Compulsory Arbitration has become,  
2 not a RIGHT of Working People at large, but, instead, a  
3 PREROGATIVE of police, teacher and other fatcat labor.

4 *Whereas*, too often, an arbitration award has meant an in-  
5 crease equivalent to a weekly pay of other echelons of labor.

6 *Whereas*, Compulsory Arbitration has become a real affront  
7 to those lower on the pay scale, especially to those on fixed  
8 income.

9 Be it resolved that Compulsory Arbitration no longer is in  
10 the public interest.

