

SENATE No. 1948

By Mr. Walsh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1948) of Leo J. O'Rourke and Joseph B. Walsh for legislation to provide for a cost of living increase in compensation for certain industrial accidents. Commerce and Labor.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A COST OF LIVING INCREASE IN COMPENSATION FOR CERTAIN INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Chapter 152 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
- 2 inserting after section 38 the following section: —
- 3 *Section 38A.* In addition to all other compensation, the
- 4 employee shall be paid effective July first of every year a
- 5 sum increasing his weekly compensation by a percentage
- 6 amount equal to the percentage rise in the United States
- 7 Consumer Price Index for January first of that year over
- 8 the level of said Index for January first of the previous year,
- 9 said payments to apply to injuries occurring on or after
- 10 January first, nineteen hundred and seventy.

