

HOUSE No. 5801

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 27, 1986.

The committee on Public Service to whom was referred so much of the recommendations of the Department of Mental Health (House, No. 144) as relates to deleting certain provisions relative to the tenure of superintendents of state hospitals and schools on said department (accompanied by bill, House, No. 151), reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 5801) ought to pass.

For the committee,

KEVIN P. BLANCHETTE.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Six.

AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE TENURE RIGHTS OF CERTAIN SUPERINTENDENTS, DIRECTORS, AND OTHER HEADS OF FACILITIES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH.

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 fourteen C of chapter nineteen of the
2 General Laws, as appearing in the 1984 Official Edition, is hereby
3 amended by inserting at the beginning thereof the following new
4 sentence: —

5 The commissioner shall appoint and may remove the superin-
6 tendents of the state hospitals and state schools and the directors or
7 other heads of any residential mental health or mental retardation
8 facility of the department.

1 SECTION 2. Said section fourteen C, as so appearing, is hereby
2 further amended by striking out the tenth, eleventh, twelfth, thir-
3 teenth, fourteenth, and fifteenth sentences in their entirety.

1 SECTION 3. Nothing in this act shall impair the rights under
2 this section immediately prior to the effective date of this act of any
3 superintendent, director or other head of a facility who, prior to
4 said effective date, had been notified by the commissioner of
5 mental health of said commissioner's intention to remove such
6 superintendent, director or other head pursuant to the provisions
7 of said section fourteen C.