

SENATE No. 374

By Mr. Wetmore, a petition (accompanied by resolutions, Senate, No. 374) of Virginia Tierney and Robert D. Wetmore for the adoption of resolutions memorializing the Congress of the United States to enact legislation to correct the Social Security benefits disparity known as the "Notch Act". Federal Financial Assistance.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

RESOLUTIONS MEMORIALIZING THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES TO ENACT LEGISLATION TO CORRECT THE SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS DISPARITY KNOWN AS THE "NOTCH" ACT.

1 *Whereas*, The changes effected by Congress in 1977 in the
2 Social Security Retirement Benefit Formula affected all those
3 born in the "Notch" years: 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, and 1921, whose
4 work records are otherwise identical to work records of those born
5 in 1916 or after 1921, but are penalized by receiving lower Social
6 Security benefits; and

7 *Whereas*, This disparity in benefit amounts is unjust and unfair
8 and has caused great hardship; therefore be it

9 *Resolved*, That the General Court of Massachusetts urges the
10 Congress of the United States to enact legislation to correct this
11 unfair disparity in Social Security benefits; and be it further

12 *Resolved*, That copies of these resolutions be transmitted by
13 the Clerk of the House of Representatives, to the President of the
14 United States, the presiding officer of each branch of Congress
15 and to the members thereof from this Commonwealth.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Sept. 10.—The Senate today passed a bill to amend the act relating to the election of judges, and to provide for the election of judges in the several counties of the State. The bill was passed by a vote of 21 yeas and 12 nays.

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As the Same Was Amended by the Senate

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