

By Mr. DiMasi of Boston, petition of Joseph M. Bonavita and Salvatore F. DiMasi for legislation to define public employers under the labor relations law. Public Service.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

**AN ACT TO FURTHER DEFINE "PUBLIC EMPLOYER" WITH RESPECT TO LABOR RELATIONS.**

*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 of Chapter 150E of the General Laws, as most recently  
2 amended by Sections 124 and 133 of Chapter 329 of the Acts of  
3 1980, is hereby further amended by striking out the definition of  
4 "Employer" or "Public Employer", and by inserting in place  
5 thereof the following:

6 "Employer" or "Public Employer", the Commonwealth acting  
7 through the Commissioner of Administration, or any county, city,  
8 town, district, or other political subdivision acting through its chief  
9 executive officer, and any individual who is designated to  
10 represent one of these employers and act in its interest in dealing  
11 with public employees, but excluding authorities created pursuant  
12 to Chapter one hundred and sixty-one A and those authorities  
13 included under the provisions of Chapter seven hundred and sixty  
14 of the Acts of nineteen hundred and sixty-two. In the case of  
15 school employees, the municipal employer shall be represented by  
16 the school committee or its designated representative or  
17 representatives. In the case of employees of the system of public  
18 institutions of higher education, the employer shall mean the  
19 Board of Regents of higher education, who shall be represented  
20 by the Commissioner of Administration or any individual who  
21 is designated by the Commissioner to represent it and act in its  
22 interest in dealing with employees under this Chapter. In the case  
23 of judicial employees, the employer shall be the Chief

24 Administrative Justice of the trial court or any individual who  
25 is designated by him to represent him or act in his interest in  
26 dealing with judicial employees. In the case of employees of the  
27 state lottery commission, employer shall mean the State Lottery  
28 Commission or its designee.