

SENATE No. 1704

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

SENATE, April 8, 1987.

The Committee on Bills in the Third Reading to whom was referred the Senate Bill memorializing congress to change the formula for certain security benefits (Senate No. 341), reports recommending that the same be amended by substituting therefor "Resolutions memorializing the Congress of the United States to enact legislation to correct the social security benefits disparity known as the 'Notch Act' " (Senate, No. 1704) and that, when so amended, the same will be correctly drawn.

For the committee,

ROBERT C. BUELL.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

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 nineteen hundred and seventy-seven change in
2 the social security retirement benefit formula has affected all
3 eligible persons born in the "Notch" years: The years nineteen
4 hundred and seventeen through nineteen hundred and twenty-
5 one, whose work records are otherwise similar to work records
6 of those born in nineteen hundred and sixteen or after nineteen
7 hundred and twenty-one, but are penalized by receiving lower
8 social security benefits; and

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

11 *Resolved*, That the general court of Massachusetts urges the
12 Congress of the United States to enact legislation to correct this
13 unfair disparity in social security benefits; and be it further

14 *Resolved*, That copies of these resolutions be transmitted by
15 the Clerk of the Senate to the President of the United States, the
16 presiding officer of each branch of congress and to the members
17 thereof from this commonwealth.