

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 2807

By Mrs. Menard of Somerset, petition of Joan M. Menard for legislation to further regulate election campaign contributions. Election Laws.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Two.

### AN ACT REGULATING CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS.

*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 13 of chapter 55, as appearing in the 1988  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking the first sentence  
3 thereof and inserting in place thereof the following: —

4 No person employed for compensation, other than an elected  
5 officer, by the commonwealth or any county, city or town shall  
6 directly or indirectly solicit or receive any gift, payment,  
7 contribution, assessment, subscription or promise of money or  
8 other thing of value for the political campaign purposes of any  
9 candidate for public office or of any political committee, or for  
10 any political purpose whatever, provided, however, that such  
11 persons may be members of political organizations or committees  
12 and may solicit or receive contributions for a political committee  
13 not organized on behalf of an individual candidate from persons  
14 other than other public employees whom such persons supervise  
15 and persons doing business with the commonwealth or any city  
16 or town; and further provided that the solicitation and receipt of  
17 contributions by and from public employees shall not take place  
18 while either the public employee soliciting or receiving a  
19 contribution or any public employee from whom such a  
20 contribution is solicited or received is on duty.

1 SECTION 2. Section fifteen of chapter fifty-five, as appearing  
2 in the 1988 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking the  
3 first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following: —

4 Except as provided in section thirteen, no officer, clerk, or other  
5 person in the service of the commonwealth or of any county, city  
6 or town shall, directly or indirectly, give or deliver to an officer,  
7 clerk or person in said service, or to any councillor, member of  
8 the general court, alderman, councilman or commissioner, any  
9 money or other valuable thing on account of, or to be applied  
10 to, the promotion of any political object whatever.