

By Mr. Corriveau of Sturbridge, petition of L. L. Laughlin (Commissioner of Public Safety) and Paul J. Corriveau relative to the appointment as special police officers of employees of the Soldiers' Home in Holyoke and the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts. Public Safety.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Nine.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE APPOINTMENT AS SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS OF EMPLOYEES OF THE SOLDIERS' HOME IN HOLYOKE AND THE SOLDIERS HOME IN MASSACHUSETTS.

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 10E of chapter 147 of the General Laws, inserted
2 by chapter 731 of the acts of 1957, is hereby amended by strik-
3 ing out the first two sentences appearing therein and inserting
4 in place thereof the following:—The commissioner may, upon
5 petition of the board of trustees of the Soldiers' Home in
6 Holyoke, or the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, as the case
7 may be, appoint as special police officers employees of said
8 institutions, who shall have the same power to make arrests
9 as the state police for any criminal offence committed in or
10 upon lands or structures within the charge of said boards of
11 trustees, respectively. Such special police officers shall be
12 sworn before a justice of the peace or notary public who shall
13 make a return thereof to the department upon a form pro-
14 vided by it. Upon receipt of said return the department shall
15 issue a license to each person designated to act as a special
16 police officer, and such license shall, in any court of the com-
17 monwealth, be competent evidence of the validity of the ap-
18 pointment of the person named therein and of his authority
19 to act as such special police officer. The commissioner may
20 provide that the license or any renewal thereof shall expire on

21 the anniversary of the date of birth of the person named there-
 22 in not less than one nor more than two years following the
 23 date of issue. Such special police officers shall hold their
 24 offices until their appointment is revoked by the commissioner,
 25 or until the petitioner, upon ceasing to require the services of
 26 any such officers shall file a notice to that effect with the de-
 27 partment, and thereupon the power of such officer shall cease.

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 in the Senate and House of Representatives

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The House of Representatives

1 Section 121 of chapter 121B of the General Laws, inserted
 2 in chapter 121B of the acts of 1967, is hereby amended by sub-
 3 stituting the first two sentences appearing therein and inserting
 4 in place thereof the following:—The commissioner shall, upon
 5 petition of the holder of a license of the holder's home in
 6 the state or the holder's home in Massachusetts as the case
 7 may be, suspend or revoke any special police officer's license of such
 8 a holder who shall have been found to have violated
 9 or otherwise being the appropriate officer mentioned in or
 10 under chapter 121B within the course of such holder's
 11 license or otherwise. Such special police officers shall be
 12 deemed to have resigned from the department upon the date
 13 upon which the suspension or revocation of such license shall
 14 take effect. Upon receipt of such notice the department shall
 15 issue a license to such person designated to act as a special
 16 police officer, and such license shall be in force for the term
 17 mentioned in the certificate of the holder of the license to the
 18 expiration of the license unless the holder of the license may
 19 to act as such special police officer. The commissioner may
 20 provide that the license or any renewal thereof shall expire on