

HOUSE . . . . . No. 4171

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By Mr. McCarthy of Peabody, petition of Peter C. McCarthy that the city of Peabody be authorized to grant an annuity to Elizabeth Murphy, widow of David Murphy, a former employee of said city. Public Service.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PEABODY TO GRANT AN ANNUITY TO ELIZABETH MURPHY, WIDOW OF DAVID MURPHY.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary,  
2 and for the purpose of promoting the general good, the city of  
3 Peabody may grant to Elizabeth Murphy, widow of David  
4 Murphy, a former employee of said city, an annuity of twelve  
5 hundred dollars despite the fact that said David Murphy elected  
6 to retire under option (a) of subdivision (2) of section twelve  
7 of chapter thirty-two of the General Laws.

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By the Committee on Education and Labor, in response to a resolution of the House of Representatives, passed July 1, 1914, relating to the report of the Secretary of Labor on the subject of the condition of the laboring classes in the United States, and to a further report of the Secretary of Labor on the subject of the condition of the laboring classes in the United States.

The Condition of the Laboring Classes

In the Year 1914

AS A REPORT TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

IN RESPONSE TO A RESOLUTION OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, PASSED JULY 1, 1914, RELATING TO THE REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF LABOR ON THE SUBJECT OF THE CONDITION OF THE LABORING CLASSES IN THE UNITED STATES, AND TO A FURTHER REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF LABOR ON THE SUBJECT OF THE CONDITION OF THE LABORING CLASSES IN THE UNITED STATES.

1. The condition of the laboring classes in the United States in 1914 was characterized by a general depression, which was the result of a combination of causes, including the war in Europe, the influenza epidemic, and the general economic depression. The laboring classes were affected in various ways, including a general decline in wages, a reduction in hours of work, and a general increase in unemployment. The condition of the laboring classes in the United States in 1914 was characterized by a general depression, which was the result of a combination of causes, including the war in Europe, the influenza epidemic, and the general economic depression. The laboring classes were affected in various ways, including a general decline in wages, a reduction in hours of work, and a general increase in unemployment.