

By Mr. Doyle of Boston, petition of James J. Craven, Jr., and Charles Robert Doyle for legislation to restore the annual cost-of-living increase for the elderly, blind and disabled. Human Services and Elderly Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT TO RESTORE THE ANNUAL COST OF LIVING INCREASE FOR THE ELDERLY, BLIND AND DISABLED.

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

1 The first paragraph of section 2 of chapter 118A of the General
2 Laws, as most recently amended by chapter 283 of the acts of 1976,
3 is hereby further amended by striking the first paragraph and
4 inserting in place thereof the following new paragraph: —
5 Effective July first of every year, the level of any state supple-
6 mentary payment authorized by section one plus the level of fed-
7 eral supplemental security income in effect at such time shall be
8 increased by a percentage amount equal to the percentage rise in
9 the United States Consumer Price Index for January first of that
10 year over the level of said Index for January first of the previous
11 year plus such additional percentage amount as is recommended
12 annually by the department and appropriated by the general court.
13 In determining said additional percentage amount, consideration
14 shall be given to the goal of reaching, within a reasonable time, a
15 total income level equal to or consistent with the current budget at
16 the intermediate level of living for a retired couple established by
17 the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Statistics, for
18 the metropolitan Boston area.

In the House of Representatives, January 2, 1890.
The following bill was introduced by Mr. [Name],
and read twice and referred to the Committee on [Committee Name].

The [Title of the Bill]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That

Section 1. [Text of the bill]

Section 2. [Text of the bill]

Section 3. [Text of the bill]

Section 4. [Text of the bill]

Section 5. [Text of the bill]

Section 6. [Text of the bill]