

HOUSE No. 912

By Mr. Gibbons of Stoneham, petition of Kathleen G. Daley and another for legislation relative to supervision of assistance rendered to certain aged citizens. Pensions and Old Age Assistance.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PERTAINING TO THE SUPERVISION OF ASSISTANCE RENDERED TO CERTAIN AGED CITIZENS.

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 of chapter 118A of the General Laws, as
2 amended by chapter 433 of the acts of 1948, is hereby
3 further amended by striking out the third sentence
4 of the first paragraph thereof and inserting in place
5 thereof the following new sentence: — Such assistance
6 shall, wherever practicable, be given to the aged per-
7 son in his own home or in lodgings or in a licensed
8 nursing home or boarding home for the aged, which
9 for the purposes hereof shall include any duly licensed
10 institution providing shelter, care and treatment for
11 aged persons which is not supported in whole or in
12 part by public funds; provided, that no inmate of
13 such nursing home, boarding home or institution
14 shall be eligible for assistance under this chapter
15 while being cared for under a contract; and provided,

16 further, that for the purposes of this chapter any
17 person who, while such an inmate, has lost his settle-
18 ment or who shall lose his settlement at the time of
19 admission to such home or institution, shall be deemed
20 to have no settlement in the commonwealth.