

By Mr. McGee of Lynn, petition of William A. Cashman, Jr., and Thomas W. McGee for legislation to direct the Department of Public Utilities to investigate rates of electric utility companies in effect during a strike. Government Regulations.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES TO INVESTIGATE RATES OF ELECTRIC UTILITY COMPANIES IN EFFECT DURING A STRIKE.

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

1 Chapter 164 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 inserting after section 94G the following new section: —

3 *Section 94H.* The Department of Public Utilities shall in-
4 vestigate and examine the rates charged and revenues received by
5 any electric utility as defined in Chapter 164 of the General Laws
6 for any period of time during which said utility is the subject of a
7 strike between said company and its employees. If, as a result of
8 such investigation, the department determines that the rates
9 charged and revenue received by such electric utility have resulted
10 in a rate of return in excess of that which has been authorized by
11 the department, the department shall order rebates to customers
12 of said electric utility.

13 *Section 2.* The department shall conduct investigations, as
14 authorized by section 1 of this act, into any strike between an
15 electric utility and its employees which has occurred since
16 January first, nineteen hundred and seventy-five.

of the House of Representatives, the Senate, and the President of the United States, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty...

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES

Article I, Section 1. All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.

Article II, Section 1. The executive Power shall be vested in a President of the United States. He shall hold his Office for a Term of Years, which shall be determined by Law.