

HOUSE No. 6635

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 28, 1981.

The committee on Commerce and Labor, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 565) of Vincent J. Piro relative to increasing the number of commissioners on the Industrial Accident Board, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 6635) ought to pass.

For the committee,

KENNETH M. LEMANSKI.

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

AN ACT TO RELIEVE THE BACK LOG OF CLAIMS BEFORE THE INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT BOARD.

1 *Whereas*, The deferred operation of this Act would tend to
2 defeat its purpose, which is to help relieve the many claims by
3 injured workers before the Industrial Accident Board in Western,
4 Massachusetts therefore it is declared to be an emergency law,
5 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public good.

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. Section 15 of Chapter 23 of the General Laws, as
2 amended by Section 97 of Chapter 872 of the Acts of 1977, is
3 hereby further amended by adding at the end the following:

4 “The industrial accident board shall also consist of two addition-
5 al members appointed on a temporary basis by the Governor with
6 the advice of the Council. Each of these members shall receive the
7 same salary as present board members. The members shall devote
8 their full time to relieve the back log of cases in Western, Massa-
9 chusetts. The members shall also devote their full time during
10 ordinary business hours to the duties to which they are herein
11 assigned and shall not engage in outside employment or business
12 activities during said hours. These members shall be residents of
13 Western Massachusetts. These members shall not be of the same
14 political party.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall expire two years from the date of
2 passage.