

HOUSE No. 1249

By Mr. Flaherty of Boston, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1249) of the Massachusetts Police Association and Michael F. Flaherty for legislation to exempt police officers from civil liability for emergency first aid or transportation rendered to persons or prisoners who are injured or incapacitated. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT EXEMPTING POLICE OFFICERS FROM CIVIL LIABILITY FOR EMERGENCY FIRST AID OR TRANSPORTATION RENDERED TO PERSONS OR PRISONERS WHO ARE INJURED OR INCAPACITATED.

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 98 of chapter 41 of the General Laws, as most recently
2 amended by chapter 181 of the acts of 1970, is hereby amended by
3 adding after the third paragraph the following paragraph:—

4 No Police Officer, who, in good faith, renders emergency first
5 aid or transportation to a person or prisoner who has become
6 injured or incapacitated in any public or private grounds or
7 building thereof shall be liable in a suit for damages as a result of
8 providing emergency transportation to a place of safety, nor
9 shall he be liable to a hospital for its expenses if under such
10 emergency conditions he causes the admission of such injured or
11 incapacitated persons or prisoners, nor shall he be subject to any
12 disciplinary action by the city or town for such emergency first
13 aid or transportation.

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