

HOUSE No. 4575

By Mr. Craven of Boston, petition of the Mass. Building and Construction Trades Council and James J. Craven, Jr., relative to the employment of aliens within the Commonwealth. Commerce and Labor.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE EMPLOYMENT OF ALIENS WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH.

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 19C of chapter 149 of the General Laws, as inserted by
2 chapter 452 of the acts of 1976, is hereby amended by striking out
3 the first paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following
4 paragraph: —

5 It shall be unlawful for any employer knowingly to employ any
6 alien in the commonwealth, who is a student or visitor or, who
7 has not been admitted to the United States for permanent
8 residence, except those who are admitted under a work permit for
9 a specific trade or occupation, or unless the employment of such
10 alien is authorized by the attorney general of the United States.

11 An employer shall not be deemed to have violated this section if
12 he has made a bona fide inquiry whether a person hereafter
13 employed or referred by him is a citizen or an alien, and if an
14 alien, whether he is lawfully admitted to the United States for
15 permanent residence, or admitted under a work permit for a
16 specific trade or occupation, or is authorized by the attorney
17 general of the United States to accept employment.

