

By Mr. O'Flaherty of Chelsea, petition of Eugene L. O'Flaherty relative to the bonding requirements of persons engaged in the exchange of foreign currency. Ways and Means (joint).

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and One.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO BOND REQUIREMENTS.

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 2 of Chapter 169 of the most recent edition of the
2 General Laws is hereby amended by striking said section and
3 inserting in place thereof the following:—
4 Every person subject to section one, before engaging or
5 becoming financially interested or continuing to engage or be
6 financially interested in the business of receiving deposits of
7 money for the purpose of transmitting the same or equivalents
8 thereof to foreign countries, shall make, execute and deliver to the
9 state treasurer a bond in a sum equal to twice the average weekly
10 amount of money or equivalents thereof transmitted to foreign
11 countries by such person as determined by the commissioner of
12 banks, hereinafter called the commissioner, but in no event shall
13 the sum of the bond be less than fifty thousand dollars or greater
14 than five hundred thousand dollars; provided, however, that a
15 person carrying on a business at more than one location need post
16 only one such bond which shall be in the sum of fifty thousand
17 dollars or twice the average total weekly amount of money or
18 equivalents thereof transmitted to foreign countries from all loca-
19 tions, whichever is greater, however, in no event shall the bond be
20 greater than five hundred thousand dollars; and, provided further,
21 that the sum of such bond shall be increased on order of the com-
22 missioner at any time to such amount as shall be shown by exami-
23 nation to be necessary. Such bond shall be conditioned upon the
24 faithful holding and transmission of any money or equivalents

25 thereof which shall have been delivered to such person for trans-
26 mission to a foreign country and, in the event of the insolvency or
27 bankruptcy of the principal, upon the payment of the full amount
28 of such bond to the assignee, receiver or trustee of the principal,
29 as the case may require, for the benefit of such persons as shall
30 have delivered money or equivalents thereof to said principal for
31 the purpose of transmitting the same to a foreign country.