

By Mr. Moran of Somerville, petition of William J. Moran for a ten dollar per month increase in assistance to aged persons. Pensions and Old Age Assistance.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Two.

AN ACT INCREASING ASSISTANCE TO THE AGED BY TEN DOLLARS PER MONTH.

*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. The first paragraph of section 1 of chapter 118A  
2 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the sixth  
3 sentence, as amended by section 1 of chapter 801 of the acts  
4 of 1951, and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:—  
5 Budgetary standards shall be subject to the approval of the de-  
6 partment, but, except as hereinafter provided, such assistance  
7 shall be not less than the following rates:— In the case of an  
8 individual living outside a family group, not less than **[seventy-**  
9 **five]** **eighty-five** dollars monthly; in the case of any other  
10 person, not less than **[fifty-five]** **sixty-five** dollars monthly.

1 SECTION 2. Section 1A of said chapter 118A, as appearing in  
2 chapter 521 of the acts of 1954, is hereby amended by striking  
3 out the second sentence and inserting in place thereof the follow-  
4 ing sentence:— In determining the eligibility of an applicant in  
5 such a home for old age assistance, the rate of **[seventy-five]**  
6 **eighty-five** dollars per month shall be applied against the en-  
7 trance fee or deposits he has placed with the home, and if such  
8 fee or deposits have not been used up under the monthly rate  
9 of **[seventy-five]** **eighty-five** dollars, he shall not be eligible to  
10 old age assistance until such time as the deposit has been ex-  
11 hausted in accordance with this rate.

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