

By Mr. DiMasi of Boston, petition of Salvatore F. DiMasi relative to the printing and sale of reports of the appellate divisions of the Boston Municipal Court and the District Court Department. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE PRINTING AND SALE OF REPORTS OF THE APPELLATE DIVISIONS OF THE BOSTON MUNICIPAL COURT AND THE DISTRICT COURT DEPARTMENTS.

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 108 of chapter 231 of the General Laws, as most recently
2 amended by chapter 478 of the acts of 1978, is hereby further
3 amended by adding to the end thereof the following paragraphs: —

4 The opinions of the northern, southern and western appellate
5 division districts of the district court department and the appellate
6 division of the Boston municipal court department shall be print-
7 ed, bound and provided for sale to the public by a reporter of
8 appellate division opinions. Said reporter and one clerical em-
9 ployee shall be appointed by the administrative justice of the
10 district court department.

11 The reporter of appellate division opinions shall from time to
12 time advertise for bids for the execution of the printing and bind-
13 ing, and provide for the sale to the public at such price as he may
14 fix, subject to the approval of the administrative justice of the
15 district court department, of the opinions of the appellate divisions
16 of the Boston municipal court and the district court departments
17 and of reprints of volumes thereof previously published. Such
18 contracts for printing and binding and for sale to the public shall
19 cover such volumes as the reporter shall determine, subject to the

20 approval of the administrative justice of the district court depart-
21 ment. The reporter shall take into consideration the circumstances
22 and facilities of the several bidders for such contracts as well as the
23 terms offered; may reject any bids received; shall award the con-
24 tracts to such bidders as in his judgment the interests of the
25 commonwealth may require; and shall execute the contracts in the
26 name and behalf of the commonwealth. The reporter may from
27 time to time negotiate for, and execute in the name and behalf of
28 the commonwealth, contracts for the printing and sale to the
29 public during such periods of time and at such prices as he may
30 fix, subject to the approval of the administrative justice of the
31 district court department, of advance sheets of opinions of said
32 appellate divisions filed with him. Contracts under this section may
33 be awarded by the reporter singly or in a group or groups. A surety
34 company bond, or securities satisfactory to the reporter, in an
35 amount fixed by him, which shall not be less than ten thousand
36 dollars, shall be furnished by anyone to whom any single contract
37 or group of contracts is awarded under authority of this section, to
38 secure faithful performance thereof.