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By Mr. Harrington of Everett (by request), petition of John B. Nordgren for a cost-of-living increase for state and Metropolitan District Commission employees. Public Service.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-Five.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A COST OF LIVING PAY INCREASE FOR CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES IN THE SERVICE OF THE COMMONWEALTH, INCLUDING EMPLOYEES OF THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION.

*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 salary of each person in the service  
2 of the commonwealth or of the metropolitan district  
3 commission if less than twenty-five hundred and one  
4 dollars, is hereby increased by an amount equal to  
5 twenty per cent of such salary, and the minimum annual  
6 salary of all employees of the commonwealth or the  
7 metropolitan district commission shall be three thousand  
8 dollars. The salary of each person in the service of the  
9 commonwealth or the metropolitan district commission,  
10 between three thousand and five thousand dollars, is  
11 hereby increased by an amount equal to ten per cent of  
12 such salary, and the salary of each person in the service  
13 of the commonwealth, between five thousand dollars and  
14 seventy-five hundred dollars, is hereby increased by an  
15 amount equal to five per cent of such salary and paid  
16 from the treasury thereof, except persons whose salaries  
17 are established by statute, is hereby increased by the  
18 amount of five hundred dollars; provided, that in the

19 case of any such person serving on a part-time basis the  
20 salary shall be adjusted by the division of personnel and  
21 standardization to an amount which bears the same  
22 ratio to said salary as his service bears to full-time  
23 service.

1 SECTION 2. Every employee entering the service of  
2 the commonwealth shall be entitled to receive the com-  
3 pensation of his position as increased by this act.

1 SECTION 3. The word "salary" as used in this act  
2 shall include the compensation payable through the  
3 state treasury from moneys paid into the state treasury  
4 of the federal government. The word "employee" as so  
5 used, in addition to its usual meaning, shall also include  
6 any blind person receiving wages from the division of the  
7 blind.

1 SECTION 4. The division of personnel and stand-  
2 ardization of the commission on administration and  
3 finance is hereby directed to revise the schedule of  
4 standard rates of salaries incorporated in the rules and  
5 regulations governing the classification of personnel  
6 services under sections forty-five and forty-six of chapter  
7 thirty of the General Laws to conform to section one of  
8 this act.

1 SECTION 5. Said division and the comptroller are  
2 hereby directed to administer this act. Nothing in  
3 this act shall be construed to limit the respective powers  
4 of said division or said comptroller as now defined by  
5 law.