

HOUSE No. 5814

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, June 6, 1989.

The committee on Election Laws, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1348) of Local 509 SEIU, John C. Bartley and other members of the General Court relative to authorizing voluntary payroll deductions for the purpose of establishing a public employee organization political education fund, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 5814) ought to pass.

For the committee,

JOHN A. BUSINGER.

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING VOLUNTARY PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS
FOR STATE EMPLOYEES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Chapter 55 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1986
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 14
3 the following section: —
4 Section 14A. Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 13
5 and 14, or of any other general or special law to the contrary,
6 a person employed for compensation by the commonwealth or
7 by any county, city or town may distribute or collect payroll
8 deduction cards for the purpose of authorizing the deduction of
9 a fee payable to a public employee organization's political com-
10 mittee administered by such public employee organization,
11 provided that no such person shall conduct any such distribution
12 or collection during the working hours of the person to whom
13 such card is distributed or from whom such card is collected, or
14 during the working hours of the person conducting such
15 distribution or collection; provided, however, that the state
16 treasurer, the common paymaster as defined in section one
17 hundred and thirty-three of chapter one hundred and seventy-five,
18 the treasurer of the county or municipality, or any other person
19 authorized under law to certify to any of the foregoing officers
20 an employee authorization for the deduction of such fee, may
21 receive such a card or authorization during working hours.
22 Nothing in this section shall be deemed to authorize the deduction
23 of any such fee which is not otherwise authorized under general
24 or special law.