

By Mr. Micelli of Wilmington (by request), petition of William R. Shaughnessy relative to third party claims under provisions of the workmen's compensation law. Commerce and Labor.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THIRD PARTY CLAIMS UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION LAW.

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. Section 15 of chapter 152 of the General Laws, as
2 most recently amended by section 1 of chapter 941 of the acts of
3 1941, is hereby further amended by inserting after the second
4 sentence the following sentence: — If the insurer has failed to
5 enforce the liability of such person for three years from the date of
6 injury or if the insurer has failed to file notice of claim or notice of
7 lien to recover benefits that it has paid under this chapter for three
8 years from the date of injury, then the insurer shall be deemed to
9 have waived its rights under this section.

1 SECTION 2. The provisions of section one of this act shall
2 apply to all causes of action which are pending at the time this act
3 becomes effective and to subsequent causes of action.

