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By Mr. Sigourney of Nahant, petition of Andre R. Sigourney that certain charitable corporations or organizations shall be liable for the tortious acts of their employees. The Judiciary.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy.

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AN ACT PROVIDING THAT CERTAIN CHARITABLE CORPORATIONS OR ORGANIZATIONS SHALL BE LIABLE FOR THE TORTIOUS ACTS OF THEIR 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 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by in-  
2 serting after section 70D, inserted by section 1 of chapter 624  
3 of the acts of 1959, the following section:—

4 *Section 70E.* It shall not constitute a defense to, or pre-  
5 vent recovery in, any action of tort brought against any per-  
6 son owning or maintaining any hospital, sanatorium, infir-  
7 mary maintained in a town, convalescent or nursing home, or  
8 rest home, licensed under section seventy-one, that the de-  
9 fendant was, at the time the cause of action accrued, a chari-  
10 table corporation, association or society, or that such hospital,  
11 sanatorium, infirmary maintained in a town, convalescent or  
12 nursing home, or rest home, was maintained in whole or in  
13 part for any charitable purpose.

