

SENATE No. 123

By Mr. Atkins, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 123) of Chester G. Atkins for legislation to limit the hiring of state employees. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Three.

AN ACT LIMITING THE HIRING OF 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 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of law,
2 vacancies in any of the departments, divisions, boards or other
3 agencies of the commonwealth shall be filled on a ratio of
4 three replacements for every four vacancies, and upon certi-
5 fication of necessity by the head of a department to the di-
6 rector of civil service, employees in the same grade may be
7 transferred within the department to fill an existing vacancy;
8 provided, however, that in cases of an emergency, upon the
9 written application of the head of a department and with the
10 approval of the commissioner of administration, any existing
11 vacancy may be filled.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall cease to be operative on Decem-
2 ber thirty-first, nineteen hundred and seventy-four.

