

SENATE No. 1737

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Mark C. Montigny

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to equitable pay at quasi-public agencies.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Mark C. Montigny

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Second Bristol and Plymouth

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By Mr. Montigny, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1737) of Mark C. Montigny for legislation relative to equitable pay at quasi-public agencies. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 1686 OF 2015-2016.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act relative to equitable pay at quasi-public agencies.

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

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2 SECTION 1. Chapter 29 of the general laws is hereby amended by inserting after section
3 218 the following new section:-

4 Section 219 (a). No at-will employees of any state authority, as defined in section 1 of
5 chapter 29, may be provided compensation in salary or wages in excess of the salary provided to
6 the Governor of the Commonwealth, as set forth in section 1 of chapter 6, as so appearing.

7 (b). No state authority, as defined in section 1 of chapter 29, may enter into a contract,
8 executed after the passage of this act, with any employee that provides compensation in salary or

9 wages in excess of the salary provided to the Governor of the Commonwealth, as set forth in
10 section 1 of chapter 6, as so appearing.

11 (c). All state authorities, as defined in section 1 of chapter 29, shall submit by December
12 31, 2017, to the Senate and House Committees on Ways and Means a compensation reduction
13 report that shall include, but not be limited to, a plan that details all percentage salary reductions,
14 wage freeze, furloughs and reduction of employees including attrition.

15 (d). A state authority may provide compensation in excess of the amount referenced in
16 sections (a) and (b) of this chapter, provided that the authority:

17 (1) provides notice to the governor, treasurer, auditor, senate and house ways and
18 means committee, and senate and house post-audit and oversight committee setting forth reasons
19 for excess compensation;

20 (2) publish said notice to the general public;

21 (3) provides a 30 day public comment period and conducts a public hearing on
22 said compensation