

SENATE No. 00737

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Cynthia S. Creem

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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to employees of the trial court.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Cynthia S. Creem

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Middlesex and Norfolk

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By Ms. Creem, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 737) of Creem for legislation relative to the employees of the Trial Court [Joint Committee on the Judiciary].

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
□ SENATE
□ , NO. 1628 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to employees of the trial court.

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. Chapter 211B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by striking out section 9A and inserting in place thereof the
3 following section:-

4 Section 9A. All chief court officers, assistant chief court officers and court officers
5 appointed at any time, including messengers appointed pursuant to section thirty-one of chapter
6 two hundred and seventeen, whether appointed prior to or after January first, nineteen hundred
7 and ninety-three, to any department of the trial court shall be employees of the chief justice for
8 administration and management who shall have the authority to appoint, dismiss, define the
9 duties of, assign, transfer and discipline said chief court officers, assistant chief court officers

10 and court officers within the trial court departments as he deems necessary for the administration
11 of justice and for public safety. Such court officers shall, when required, attend the sessions of
12 the court, shall preserve order, provide security, and may serve warrants, mittimuses, precepts,
13 and orders and processes of the court and shall perform such other duties as the chief justice for
14 administration and management may assign.

15 Such court officers shall, while on duty, wear uniforms approved by the chief justice for
16 administration and management, which shall be furnished at the expense of the commonwealth.

17 Each court officer shall give bond for faithful performance of his duties in the sum of one
18 thousand dollars payable to the General Fund, with sufficient sureties, approved by the chief
19 justice of administration and management.