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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Robert L. Rice, Jr.**

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*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 workers compensation.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| Robert L. Rice, Jr. | 2nd Worcester |
| Martin J. Walsh | 13th Suffolk |

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to workers compensation.

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

SECTION 1. Section 10 of Chapter 152 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (4)(c) the following:-

(d) If a conciliator is unable to resolve employee’s initial claim at the conciliation, it shall be referred to the industrial accident board for conference to be heard on the same day by a judge assigned. The parties, by agreement, may request a continuance of this conference date.