

# SENATE . . . . . No. 704

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand Nine  
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An Act clarifying the term proceedings for Department of Industrial Accident claims..

*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. Section 14 of Chapter 152 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004  
2   Official Edition, is hereby amended in subsection 2 in line 46 by inserting after at the end thereof  
3   the following new sentence:- “The word ”proceeding” in this paragraph shall be defined as  
4   including all actions of a party, including attorneys and medical experts acting on behalf of a  
5   party, that occur from the time that the claim is filed until the employee’s claim is resolved and  
6   the employee is not receiving any benefits pursuant to chapter 152 and there is no action pending  
7   before the Department or any appellate court.”