**SENATE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 2525** 

Senate, December 29, 2016-- Substituted by amendment (Bills in the Third Reading) for the Senate Bill to establish February 20 as Frederick Douglass Day. (Senate, No. 1655)

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court (2015-2016)

An Act further regulating the establishment of Peace Day and establishing February 20 as Frederick Douglass Day.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith the designation of Peace Day and Frederick Douglass Day, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

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

1 Chapter 6 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 15BBBBBB, 2 inserted by chapter 274 of the acts of 2016, and inserting in place thereof the following 2 3 sections:-

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Section 15CCCCC. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart September 21 as Peace Day to recognize and further the goals of Peace Day in the United States, the International Day of Peace, and in memory of those lost to acts of violence and recommend that the day be observed in an appropriate manner by the people.

Section 15DDDDDD. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart February 20 as Frederick Douglass Day and recommend that the day be observed in an appropriate manner by the people.