

HOUSE No. 701

By Mr. Wood of Easton, petition of Clarence A. Barnes and another that county treasurers be authorized to advance money for expenditures incurred in going outside the Commonwealth to search for and bring back for trial persons under complaint. Counties.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Eight.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE ADVANCE OF MONEY BY COUNTY TREASURERS FOR EXPENSES TO BE INCURRED IN GOING OUTSIDE THE COMMONWEALTH TO SEARCH FOR, OR BRING BACK FOR TRIAL, PERSONS UNDER COMPLAINT.

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 25 of chapter 12 of the General Laws, as
2 appearing in chapter 64 of the acts of 1937, is hereby
3 amended by inserting after the word "indictment"
4 in the fifth line, the words:—or complaint,—so as
5 to read as follows:— *Section 25.* Money to be used
6 for the necessary expenses to be incurred by officers,
7 under the direction of a district attorney, in going
8 outside of the commonwealth for the purpose of
9 searching for, or bringing back for trial, persons under
10 indictment or complaint in any county in the district
11 of said district attorney shall be advanced by the
12 treasurer of that county, upon the presentation of
13 a certificate signed by the district attorney and ap-

14 proved in the manner provided in the preceding
15 section for approving bills incurred by district at-
16 torneys. After their return, such officers shall account
17 for such money by filing with the county treasurer
18 itemized vouchers duly sworn to, approved by the
19 district attorney and also approved in the manner
20 provided in the preceding section for approving bills
21 incurred by district attorneys. Such vouchers shall
22 show the necessary expenses so incurred, and the
23 difference between the amount advanced as aforesaid
24 and the amount of the vouchers so approved shall be
25 paid to the county treasurer within thirty days after
26 such return.