

HOUSE No. 1306

By Mr. Quinn of Boston, petition of John J. Connelly, Robert H. Quinn, Alfred R. Voke and another that certain proceedings relative to neglected children may be brought and disposed of in the Boston Juvenile Court. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROVIDING THAT CERTAIN PROCEEDINGS RELATIVE TO NEGLECTED CHILDREN MAY BE BROUGHT, HEARD AND DISPOSED OF IN THE BOSTON JUVENILE 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 Chapter 273 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 2, as most recently amended by section 31 of chapter 319 of the acts of 1953, and inserting in place thereof the 4 following section:—

5 *Section 2.* Proceedings under section one shall be begun, if in 6 the superior court, in the county in which is situated the place 7 where the husband and wife last lived together, or where the 8 husband or wife or parent of the child is living, and, if begun in a 9 district court, in the court having such place within its judicial 10 district; provided, that such a proceeding for an offence committed within the territorial limits prescribed for the criminal 12 jurisdiction of the municipal court of the city of Boston, if 13 founded upon the same allegations as a proceeding under sections twenty-four to twenty-seven, inclusive, of chapter one 15 hundred and nineteen, may be brought, heard and disposed of in 16 the Boston juvenile court. Such a proceeding for an offence 17 committed within the territorial limits prescribed for the criminal 18 jurisdiction of any court other than the municipal court of 19 the city of Boston, if founded upon the same allegations, as a

20 proceeding under said sections twenty-four to twenty-seven, in-
21 clusive, of said chapter one hundred and nineteen, may be heard
22 and disposed of in the juvenile session of the court. Any parent
23 placed on probation in such a proceeding in the Boston juvenile
24 court shall at the request of the justice thereof be supervised by
25 the probation officer of the municipal court of the city of Boston.