

SENATE No. 478

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

SENATE, April 22, 1919.

The committee on Public Service, to which was referred the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 164) of Willard J. Hale and others, that the salaries of Registers of Deeds, Assistant Registers of Deeds and Assistant Recorders of the Land Court, be established, — the petition (with accompanying bill, House No. 283) of Samuel M. Child, and others, that the salary of the first Assistant Register of Deeds for the County of Suffolk be increased, — the petition (with accompanying bill, House No. 809), of John H. Hurley, and others, that the salary of the Assistant Register of Deeds for the Southern District of the County of Middlesex be established; and so much of the special report of the Supervisor of Administration relative to the classification of positions, held by judicial and certain other State and county officials and employees, into services, groups and grades and to standardizing salary rates and ranges (House, No. 1451) as does not relate to the appointment of a judicature commission, reports (reporting in part on House, No. 1451), the accompanying bill (Senate, No. 478).

For the committee,

GEORGE A. HASTINGS.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Nineteen.

AN ACT

To establish the Salaries of Registers of Deeds and Assistant Recorders of the Land Court, and Assistant Registers of Deeds.

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. The annual salaries of registers
 2 of deeds and assistant recorders of the land
 3 court shall be adjusted by the officer paying the
 4 salary on the basis of population of their respective
 5 district, according to the following schedule: —
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| 6 | Districts under 75,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder. | \$2,000 |
| 7 | Districts of 75,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder. | 2,100 |
| 8 | Districts of 100,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder. | 2,200 |
| 9 | Districts of 125,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder. | 2,300 |
| 10 | Districts of 150,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder. | 2,400 |
| 11 | Districts of 200,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder. | 2,500 |

12	Districts of	250,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder.	\$2,600
13	Districts of	300,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder.	2,700
14	Districts over	350,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder.	2,800

15 In addition to the basic salary herein provided,
16 register each of deeds and assistant recorder of the
17 land court shall receive in addition thereto a sum
18 equal to ten per cent of the gross income of the
19 registry of deeds from all sources, and such
20 compensation shall be in full for all services
21 rendered as registers of deeds and assistant
22 recorder of the land court, and the salary of any
23 register of deeds or assistant recorder of the
24 land court shall in no event exceed the maximum
25 of six thousand five hundred dollars.

1 SECTION 2. The salaries of assistant registers
2 of deeds shall in each instance be equal to fifty
3 per cent of the salary of the register of deeds in
4 his respective county.

1 SECTION 3. Salaries of registers of deeds and
2 assistant recorders of the land court and assistant
3 registers of deeds shall be adjusted by the officer
4 paying the salary on the basis of the census
5 returns of the last state census in the year nineteen
6 hundred and fifteen in accordance with the provi-
7 sions of section one of this act, and such salaries
8 when so adjusted shall be paid on and after June
9 first in the current year; and thereafter such

10 salaries shall be readjusted by the officer paying
11 the salary in the year succeeding each state and
12 national census, in accordance with the classifica-
13 tion set forth in section one, and the salary so
14 readjusted shall be allowed from the first day of
15 January in the year of adjustment.

1 SECTION 4. The provisions of this act shall
2 not apply to the counties of Dupes County, and
3 Nantucket, except that the salaries of the registers
4 of deeds for these counties shall each be one
5 thousand dollars per annum.

1 SECTION 5. The provisions of this act shall
2 not be construed to reduce the salary of any
3 present incumbent.