The Commonwealth of Wassachusetts

House of Representatives, March 4, 1941.

The committee on Constitutional Law, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 367) of the Department of Massachusetts, Veterans of Foreign Wars, by Francis X. Cotter, legislative officer, that the seventeenth day of March be made a legal holiday in the county of Suffolk; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 389) of the Central Council of Irish County Clubs of Greater Boston and Thomas F. Covne that the seventeenth day of March be made a legal holiday in the county of Suffolk; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1007) of John E. Powers and other members of the House that the seventeenth day of March be made a legal holiday in the county of Suffolk, and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1365) of Jeremiah D. Crowley and Charles J. Artesani for legislation to make March seventeenth a legal holiday, report the accompanying bill (House, No. 2161).

For the committee,

CHARLES D. DRISCOLL.

Representatives Fletcher of Springfield, Richter of Brookline and Howard of Westminster dissenting.

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

An Act making march seventeenth a legal holiday IN SUFFOLK COUNTY.

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

- Section 1. Clause eighteenth of section seven of
- 2 chapter four of the General Laws, as most recently
- 3 amended by chapter two hundred and forty-five of
- 4 the acts of nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, is
- 5 hereby further amended by striking out the last sen-
- 6 tence and inserting in place thereof the following:
- 7 "Legal holiday" shall also include, with respect to
- 8 Suffolk county only, March seventeenth and June
- 9 seventeenth, or the day following when March seven-
- 10 teenth or June seventeenth occurs on Sunday, and the
- 11 public offices in said county shall be closed on said
- 12 days; provided, that the words "legal holiday" as
- 13 used in section forty-five of chapter one hundred and
- 14 forty-nine shall not include March seventeenth or the
- 15 day following when March seventeenth occurs on
- 16 Sunday.
 - SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its 2 passage.