

HOUSE No. 1722

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, February 6, 1947.

The committee on the Judiciary to whom was recommit-
ted the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No.
341) of Daniel Rudsten for legislation to declare a mora-
torium on actions of summary process, and to whom
were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House,
No. 506) of Joseph B. Harrington for legislation relative
to actions of summary process during the existing housing
shortage, and the petition (accompanied by bill, House,
No. 842) of Colin J. Cameron and others for legislation
relative to stay of judgment and execution in actions of
summary process, report the accompanying bill (House,
No. 1722).

For the committee,

EDMOND J. DONLAN.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO STAY OF JUDGMENT AND EXECUTION IN ACTIONS OF SUMMARY PROCESS.

1 *Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would
2 tend in part to defeat its purpose, which is to provide
3 the courts with further discretionary authority to pre-
4 vent serious hardships in eviction cases arising out of
5 the present severe housing shortage, therefore it is
6 hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary
7 for the immediate preservation of the welfare of the
8 public.

*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. Section 1 of chapter 43 of the acts of
2 1946 is hereby amended by striking out, in line 4,
3 the word "three" and inserting in place thereof the
4 word: — four, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 1.*
5 So long as this act continues in force, a stay of judg-
6 ment and execution may be granted under sections
7 nine to thirteen, inclusive, of chapter two hundred
8 and thirty-nine of the General Laws, for a period not
9 exceeding four months instead of one month as now
10 provided by section nine of said chapter.

1 SECTION 2. Said chapter 43 is hereby further
2 amended by striking out section 2 and inserting in
3 place thereof the following: — *Section 2.* This act
4 shall become inoperative on March thirty-first, nine-
5 teen hundred and forty-eight.