

# HOUSE . . . . No. 1617

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By Mr. Palmer of Somerville, petition of Harold A. Palmer for legislation relative to the appointment of temporary registers of deeds. Public Service.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

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### AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE APPOINTMENT OF A TEMPORARY REGISTER 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 Chapter 36 of the General Laws is hereby amended  
2 by striking out section 8, as appearing in the Ter-  
3 centenary Edition, and inserting in place thereof the  
4 following:—

5 *Section 8.* During the disability of a register, or if  
6 a vacancy occurs in the office, the assistant register,  
7 or second assistant register, or if none, the clerk, shall  
8 perform the register's duties. If the register is dis-  
9 abled and there is no assistant or clerk, or if they are  
10 both unable, by reason of illness or otherwise, to per-  
11 form their official duties, the governor, with the advice  
12 and consent of the council, may appoint a temporary  
13 register of deeds. Notice of such appointment shall  
14 be recorded in the registry. Section three shall apply  
15 to temporary registers who shall exercise the same  
16 powers and duties as registers of deeds until the  
17 register or a qualified assistant is able to assume the  
18 same, or until the qualification of a new register.

In the House of Representatives  
of the United States of America  
February 1, 1901

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