

SENATE No. 258

To accompany the petition of George E. Thompson, District Attorney for the Northern District, for legislation to create a new criminal offence of indecent assault and battery and providing for the punishment thereof. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty.

AN ACT CREATING A NEW CRIMINAL OFFENCE OF INDECENT ASSAULT AND BATTERY AND PROVIDING FOR THE PUNISHMENT THEREOF.

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 265 of the General Laws is hereby amended
- 2 by inserting after section 13A and before section 14 of
- 3 said chapter the following:—
- 4 *Section 13B.* Whoever commits an indecent assault
- 5 and battery upon another shall be punished by im-
- 6 prisonment in the state prison for not more than ten
- 7 years, or in the house of correction for not more than
- 8 two and one half years, or by a fine of not more than
- 9 one thousand dollars, or by both such imprisonment
- 10 in the house of correction and such fine.

