

HOUSE No. 1489

By Mr. Farin of Boston, petition of Edwin W. Hadley and Anthony J. Farin for making available records of purchase and acquisition of animals for experimentation. Legal Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-Four.

AN ACT TO MAKE AVAILABLE RECORDS OF PURCHASE AND ACQUISITION OF ANIMALS FOR EXPERIMENTATION.

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 80C of chapter 272 of the General Laws,
- 2 inserted by chapter 272 of the acts of 1945, is hereby
- 3 amended by adding at the end the following:—
- 4 Whoever purchases or acquires a dog, cat or bird to
- 5 be used for experimentation or mutilation while alive
- 6 shall keep a record and submit a report to the commis-
- 7 sioner of public safety of each such transaction show-
- 8 ing the source from which such animal or bird was
- 9 obtained; and such record shall be open to the in-
- 10 spection of the commissioner of public safety and all
- 11 police officials of the commonwealth and its political
- 12 subdivisions. Failure to keep such record shall be an
- 13 offence as to each such animal and punishable by a
- 14 fine of not more than one hundred dollars for each
- 15 such offence.

