

SENATE No. 678

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

SENATE, March 4, 1964.

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was committed the House bill authorizing the state secretary to validate certain acts of notaries public (House, No. 3027, printed as amended), reports recommending that the same ought to pass. (With an amendment substituting a new draft with the same title) (Senate, No. 678).

For the committee,

MARY L. FONSECA.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE STATE SECRETARY TO VALIDATE CERTAIN ACTS OF NOTARIES 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. Chapter 9 of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by inserting after section 15 the following section:—
3 *Section 15A.* If a notary public, whose name has been
4 changed by marriage or decree of court and who has failed to
5 reregister as required by law, or a notary public or justice
6 of the peace whose commission has expired, continues to act
7 as such after such change of name or expiration the state
8 secretary, upon the application of such person, may issue a
9 certificate validating all such acts done after such change of
10 name or expiration.

1 SECTION 2. Chapter 30 of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by striking out section 13, and inserting in place
3 thereof the following section: —
4 *Section 13.* Before the delivery of a commission to a person
5 appointed commissioner under section three or four of chapter
6 two hundred and twenty-two, notary public, master in
7 chancery or justice of the peace, he shall pay to the state
8 secretary a fee of seven dollars, except that a person whose
9 acts as a notary public or as a justice of the peace have been
10 validated by the state secretary shall pay a validation fee of
11 five dollars. A person whose acts as a notary public or justice
12 of the peace have been validated by the general court or the
13 state secretary shall pay a fee of twenty-five dollars before the
14 delivery of the first commission for either of said offices, to
15 be delivered after such validation. Upon the change of name
16 of any woman who has been appointed and qualified as a

17 notary public, she shall reregister under her new name and
18 shall pay to the state secretary a fee of one dollar.

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