

# HOUSE . . . . No. 358

By Mr. Connolly of Boston, petition of John Patrick Connolly that the compensation of special justices of district courts and of the Boston Juvenile Court be increased and re-established. Public Service.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act establishing the Compensation of Special Justices of District Courts and of the Boston Juvenile Court.

*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 six of chapter two hundred  
2 and eighteen of the General Laws, as most recently  
3 amended by chapter one hundred and forty-four of  
4 the acts of nineteen hundred and thirty, is hereby  
5 further amended by striking out the second para-  
6 graph and inserting in place thereof the following:—  
7 Except in the municipal court of the city of Boston,  
8 special justices of district courts, and of the Boston  
9 juvenile court, shall be paid by the county for each  
10 day's service at the rate by the day of the salary of  
11 the justice of the same court, but not less than thirty  
12 dollars in a district court the judicial district of  
13 which has, according to the national or state census

14 last preceding, a population of one hundred thousand  
15 or more, and not less than twenty dollars in other  
16 district courts. Compensation so paid for service in  
17 excess of thirty days in any one year, except for  
18 services in holding a simultaneous session, shall be  
19 deducted by the county treasurer from the salary of  
20 the justice.

1 SECTION 2. Section fifty-two of said chapter two  
2 hundred and eighteen is hereby amended by striking  
3 out, in the fifteenth and sixteenth lines, the word  
4 "twenty-five" and inserting in place thereof the  
5 word:— thirty-five, — so as to read as follows:—  
6 *Section 52.* The chief justice may from time to time  
7 make assignments for the attendance of a justice at  
8 the several times and places appointed for holding  
9 court. The chief justice, or, in case of his death,  
10 illness, absence or incapacity, the senior associate  
11 justice, if in his opinion the public business so re-  
12 quires, may provide for additional sessions of the  
13 court. A special justice may hold any such additional  
14 session at the request of the chief justice or senior  
15 associate as aforesaid, or a regular session at the  
16 request of the justice whose duty it may be to hold  
17 it, or, in case of the illness or absence of any justice,  
18 or a vacancy, at the request of any justice. During  
19 the continuance of such requests, or during such ill-  
20 ness, absence or vacancy, a special justice shall have  
21 and exercise all the powers and duties of a justice.  
22 The fact of holding court and the fact which gave  
23 him jurisdiction shall be entered upon the general  
24 records of the court, but need not be stated in the  
25 record of any case heard by him. His compensation  
26 shall be thirty-five dollars for each day's service;

27 and, except when holding an additional session as  
28 above provided, the compensation for service in  
29 excess of thirty days in any one year which may be  
30 rendered to or for any one justice shall be deducted  
31 by the treasurer of Suffolk county from the salary of  
32 such justice.

