

HOUSE No. 1387

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 1, 1933.

The joint committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred so much of the report of the Attorney-General for the year ending November 30, 1932 (Pub. Doc. No. 12), as relates to furnishing to district attorneys and police officers of certified copies of criminal records, report the accompanying bill (House, No. 1387).

For the committee,

PHILIP BARNET.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act providing for the Furnishing without Charge of Copies of Criminal Records by Clerks of Courts to District Attorneys and Certain Police Officers.

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 five of chapter two hundred and sixty-two
2 of the General Laws, as appearing in the Tercentenary
3 edition thereof, is hereby amended by adding at the
4 end thereof the following: — ; provided, that clerks
5 shall, upon the request of the chief police officer of
6 any city or town, or of any district attorney within
7 the commonwealth, furnish without charge to such
8 chief police officer or district attorney certified copies
9 of criminal records in their custody, — so as to read
10 as follows: — *Section 5.* When clerks cause copies to
11 be printed which they are required to furnish, they
12 shall make no charge for such printed copies in excess
13 of the amount actually paid for the printing thereof.
14 They may require the estimated cost of said printing
15 to be paid in advance, and they shall supervise the
16 printing and correct the proofs without charge. All
17 written copies, including such as are prepared for
18 printing, shall be charged for at the rate of twenty
19 cents a page; provided, that clerks shall, upon the

20 request of the chief police officer of any city or town,
21 or of any district attorney within the commonwealth,
22 furnish without charge to such chief police officer or
23 district attorney certified copies of criminal records
24 in their custody.

