

HOUSE No. 1315

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Feb. 12, 1918.

The committee on Administration and Commissions, to whom was referred so much of the twenty-sixth annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth (Pub. Doc. No. 46) as relates to authorizing the Secretary to appoint a registrar of vital statistics, report the accompanying bill.

For the committee,

FITZ-HENRY SMITH, JR.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 12, 1918.

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the Bill authorizing the Secretary of the Commonwealth to appoint a state registrar of vital statistics, report that the same ought to pass.

For the committee,

JACOB BITZER.

Mr. ATWOOD of Boston dissents.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighteen.

AN ACT

Authorizing the Secretary of the Commonwealth to appoint
a State Registrar of Vital Statistics.

*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. The secretary of the commonwealth,
2 subject to approval of governor and council, is hereby
3 authorized to appoint a state registrar of vital statistics,
4 who shall be a competent statistician and who shall receive
5 an annual salary of three thousand dollars a year to be
6 paid from the treasury of the commonwealth.

1 SECTION 2. Said registrar shall, under the direction of
2 the secretary of the commonwealth, have the power to
3 enforce all the provisions of law relative to the registry
4 and return of births, marriages and deaths, with the
5 authority to prosecute in the name of the commonwealth
6 all persons violating the provisions of law relative
7 thereto.

1 SECTION 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent
2 herewith are hereby repealed.

1 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.