

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 2807

By Mr. Kenefick of Lowell, petition of Frank S. Giles for legislation relative to the accumulation of certain information concerning criminal activities by the Commissioner of Public Safety. Public Safety.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

### AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE ACCUMULATION OF CERTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES BY THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC SAFETY.

*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 4A of chapter 147 of the General Laws, as  
2 appearing in the Tercentenary Edition, is hereby amended by  
3 adding at the end the following paragraph: —

4 The chief police officer in all cities and towns, and the head of  
5 all other law enforcement agencies within the commonwealth,  
6 including county bureaus of identification, shall cause to be for-  
7 warded to the bureau of identification, department of public  
8 safety, within a reasonable time a copy of all fingerprints, photo-  
9 graphs, descriptions and samples of handwriting of all persons  
10 who have been arrested by such authorities and whose finger-  
11 prints, photographs, descriptions and samples of handwriting by  
12 reason of signature have been taken as a means of identifica-  
13 tion by such police authorities.

1 SECTION 2. Said chapter 147 is hereby further amended by  
2 inserting after section 4C, as most recently amended by chapter  
3 365 of the acts of 1956, the following section: —

4 *Section 4D.* The commissioner of public safety shall cause to  
5 be established within the bureau of identification a central file  
6 containing reports of felonious crimes punishable by five years  
7 or more in a Massachusetts correctional institution and remain-  
8 ing unsolved for a period of thirty days.

9 The chief police officer of every police department, except the  
 10 city of Boston, and the head of other enforcement agencies  
 11 within the commonwealth, shall cause a report of such unsolved  
 12 felonious crimes remaining unsolved after thirty days to give  
 13 notice forthwith to said bureau, such report being transmitted  
 14 by the police teletypewriter system as a general alarm or other  
 15 means.

*Bill of Amendments to Chapter 268B, Section 1*

Enacted by the House of Representatives, January 15, 1963.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 268B, SECTION 1, OF THE GENERAL LAWS OF THE COMMONWEALTH, RELATIVE TO THE REPORTING OF UNSOLVED FELONIOUS CRIMES.

Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the majority of the members of the same in joint session, on the 15th day of January, 1963.

Section 1. Section 1A of chapter 268B of the general laws, as so amended in the Twenty-ninth chapter of the Acts of 1962, shall be amended to read as follows:—

1 The chief police officer in all cities and towns, and the head of  
 2 all other law enforcement agencies within the commonwealth,  
 3 including county bureaus of sheriff's offices, shall cause to be pre-  
 4 pared in the form of an affidavit, a report of all felonious crimes  
 5 which, within a year, the offender has been found to be per-  
 6 sonally dangerous and capable of being a threat to all persons  
 7 who have been exposed to such activities and whose names  
 8 have been furnished to the police department, and a copy of such  
 9 report shall be transmitted to the Bureau of Identification and  
 10 Control of the Department of Public Safety as a means of iden-  
 11 tifying such persons.

Section 2. This chapter shall be amended to read as follows:—

Section 1A. The commission of a felony shall cause to be prepared in the form of an affidavit a report of all felonious crimes which, within a year, the offender has been found to be personally dangerous and capable of being a threat to all persons who have been exposed to such activities and whose names have been furnished to the police department, and a copy of such report shall be transmitted to the Bureau of Identification and Control of the Department of Public Safety as a means of identifying such persons.