

HOUSE No. 2681

By Mr. Grenier of Spencer, petition of Henry R. Grenier relative to witness fees and travel expenses for state police officers. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Six.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO WITNESS FEES AND TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR STATE 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 53B of Chapter 262 of the General Laws as most
2 recently amended by Chapter 567 of the Acts of 1959 is hereby
3 further amended by striking out the first and second sentences
4 and inserting in place thereof the following:—

5 Any officer of the division of state police in the department of
6 public safety, appointed under section six or nine A of Chapter
7 twenty-two, on duty at night, or on vacation or furlough, or on a
8 day off, who attends as a witness in a civil or criminal case
9 pending in a district court or in the superior court shall be
10 allowed a witness fee in the amount of six dollars for each days
11 attendance, including his first day's attendance as arresting
12 officer. Any such officer who attends court held at a place other
13 than his residence or regularly assigned station or office in a
14 criminal case pending in any court of the Commonwealth shall be
15 paid at the rate of twelve cents a mile for travel out and home for
16 each day's attendance except that travel allowances shall not be
17 allowed when such travel is made in state-owned vehicles.

