

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 2611

By Messrs. Velis of Westfield and Robinson of Melrose, petition of Peter A. Velis and other members of the House for legislation to prohibit members of the General Court from practicing law before state agencies or commissions. The Judiciary.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

### AN ACT PROHIBITING LAWYER-LEGISLATORS FROM PRACTICING BEFORE STATE COMMISSIONS.

*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. Chapter 268A, section 4 is hereby amended by  
2 striking the fifth paragraph beginning with the words: "A member  
3 of the general court . . ."

1 SECTION 2. Chapter 268A is further amended by inserting  
2 after section 4 the following new section:—

3 *Section 4A.* No member of the general court shall receive  
4 remuneration for the practice of law before any executive agency,  
5 authority, board, or commission of the state provided however,  
6 that the provisions of this section shall not apply to a member of  
7 the general court with respect to an appearance before any court of  
8 the commonwealth and further shall not apply to those functions  
9 within the practice of law that involve the filing of documents or  
10 contract with such agency, authority, board, or commission  
11 requiring only ministerial acts on the part of such agency,  
12 authority, board, or commission.

