HOUSE . . . . . No. 203

Accompanying the eight recommendation of the Department of Public Welfare (House, No. 195). The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PERMITTING RECIPROCAL ENFORCEMENT OF SUPPORT ORDERS BETWEEN MASSACHUSETTS AND FOREIGN JURISDICTIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Section 1 of chapter 273A of the General Laws, as appearing in section 1 of chapter 556 of the acts of 1954, is hereby amended by striking out the definition of the word "State" and inserting in place thereof the following definition:— "State", includes any state, territory or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and any foreign jurisdiction in which this or a substantially similar reciprocal law has been enacted.

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