

HOUSE No. 6180

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 10, 1982.

The committee on the Judiciary, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4316) of A. Joseph DeNucci relative to providing for the appointment of additional justices for the Probate and Family Court Department of the Trial Court in the counties of Essex, Middlesex, Norfolk and Suffolk, and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4500) of Salvatore F. DiMasi that provision be made for the appointment of ten additional justices in the Superior Court Department of the Trial Court, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 6180) ought to pass.

For the committee,

MICHAEL F. FLAHERTY.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Two.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR TEN ADDITIONAL JUSTICES IN THE TRIAL COURT.

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 1 of chapter 211B of the General Laws, as
2 most recently amended by Section 1 of chapter 575 of the Acts of
3 1980, is hereby further amended by striking out in the second
4 sentence the words "and sixty-three", and inserting in place thereof
5 the following: — and seventy-three.

1 SECTION 2. Section 2 of said chapter 211B, as most recently
2 amended by section 2 of said chapter 575, is hereby further amend-
3 ed by striking out the first sentence, and inserting in place thereof
4 the following: — There shall be sixty-one justices appointed to the
5 superior court department, three justices appointed to the housing
6 court department, three justices appointed to the land court de-
7 partment, thirty-six justices appointed to the probate and family
8 court department, ten justices appointed to the Boston municipal
9 court department, eight justices appointed to the juvenile court
10 department, and one hundred fifty-three justices and special justi-
11 ces, as authorized, appointed to the district court department.

1 SECTION 3. Section 2 of chapter 217 of the General Laws, as
2 most recently amended by chapter 575 of the acts of 1980, is hereby
3 further amended by striking out the first sentence, and inserting
4 in place thereof the following sentence: — There shall be six judges
5 of probate in the county of Middlesex, four judges of probate in the
6 counties of Norfolk, Suffolk, and Plymouth, three judges of pro-
7 bate in the counties of Essex and Bristol, and two judges of probate
8 in each of the counties of Worcester, Hampden and Barnstable.