

HOUSE No. 454

Bill accompanying the petition of Marshall N. Jones for an amendment of the law relative to the establishment of pest houses by cities and towns. Public Health. January 12.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifteen.

AN ACT

Relative to the Establishment and Maintenance of Pest Houses by Cities and Towns.

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 forty-six of chapter seventy-five
2 of the Revised Laws, as amended by section two of chap-
3 ter two hundred and six of the acts of the year nineteen
4 hundred and two, and by section two of chapter three
5 hundred and sixty-five of the acts of the year nineteen
6 hundred and six, is hereby further amended by striking
7 out said section forty-six and inserting in place thereof
8 the following:— *Section 46.* A magistrate authorized
9 to issue warrants in criminal cases may issue a warrant
10 directed to the sheriff of the county or his deputy, or to

11 any constable or police officer, requiring him, under the
12 direction of the board of health, to remove any person
13 who is infected with contagious disease, or to impress and
14 take up convenient houses, lodging, nurses, attendants
15 and other necessaries. The removal authorized by this
16 section may be made to a hospital in any city or town
17 established for the reception of persons having smallpox
18 or other disease dangerous to the public health: *provided*,
19 the assent of the board of health of the city or town to
20 which such removal is to be made shall first have been
21 obtained.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

