

HOUSE No. 556

Bill accompanying the petition of Samuel H. Mildram and another relative to placing on probation certain wayward and delinquent children. Social Welfare. January 13.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifteen.

AN ACT

Relative to placing on Probation certain Wayward and Delinquent Children.

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 thirteen of chapter four hundred and thirteen
2 of the acts of nineteen hundred and six is hereby amended
3 by striking out the whole of said section and inserting in
4 place thereof the following: — *Section 13.* If a child,
5 having been adjudged to be a wayward or delinquent child
6 under the provisions of this act, has been placed on pro-
7 bation and then violates the terms of said probation, said
8 child shall not be placed on probation again or have the
9 original period of probation extended unless the parent,
10 guardian, or person with whom it is stated that said child
11 resides, or some other reputable person, shall file with the

12 court a written promise to be responsible for the presence
13 of said child in court at the time and place when the child
14 is to appear or at any other time to which the hearing in
15 the case may be continued or adjourned by the court.
16 Said written promise, if accepted by the court, shall also
17 constitute a contract between said parent, guardian, or
18 other person signing the same, and the court to be re-
19 sponsible for the good behavior of the child during the
20 subsequent period of probation. Said promise or contract
21 shall also contain a provision that in case of failure on
22 the part of the signor to produce the child at the required
23 time and place, or any further violation of the terms of
24 probation on the part of the child, the signor agrees to
25 pay the said court a sum not exceeding fifty dollars.
26 Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to
27 prevent the admitting of said child to bail in accordance
28 with sections twenty-nine and thirty of chapter two hun-
29 dred and seventeen of the Revised Laws.

