

To accompany the petition of Warren C. Daggett for legislation to authorize the appointment of additional court officers for attendance upon certain courts in Middlesex County. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act authorizing the Appointment of Additional Court Officers for Attendance upon Certain Courts in Middlesex County.

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 seventy of chapter two
2 hundred and twenty-one of the General Laws, as
3 amended by section one of chapter three hundred
4 and twenty-four of the acts of nineteen hundred
5 and twenty-three, is hereby further amended by
6 striking out, in the eleventh line, the word
7 "twelve" and inserting in place thereof the word:
8 — sixteen, — so as to read as follows: — *Section*
9 *70.* The sheriffs of Suffolk, Middlesex and
10 Worcester counties may each appoint, subject to
11 the approval of the justices of the superior court,
12 officers for attendance upon the several sessions
13 of the superior court in their respective counties,
14 as follows:

15 For Suffolk, not exceeding four for each session
16 for civil business held with juries; three for each

17 session held without juries; and six for the
18 session for criminal business; said officers shall
19 be interchanged between the several sessions so
20 as to secure as nearly as may be equal service by
21 all.

22 For Middlesex, sixteen for civil or criminal
23 business, who shall, when required by the sheriff,
24 attend the sessions of the supreme judicial or
25 probate court when not in attendance on the
26 superior court.

27 For Worcester, for civil or criminal business,
28 such number as may be necessary, who shall also
29 attend upon the sessions of the supreme judicial,
30 probate and insolvency and land courts.

31 Each of said officers shall give to the sheriff
32 appointing him a bond with sufficient sureties,
33 in the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, for the
34 faithful performance of his duties. They shall
35 have the authority of constables to serve venire
36 for jurors and the processes of said courts, and in
37 Worcester county to summon witnesses; and
38 they shall be paid by the county their actual
39 expenses necessarily incurred in making such
40 services.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its
2 acceptance by the county commissioners of Mid-
3 dlesex county; provided, that such acceptance
4 occurs prior to December thirty-first in the
5 current year.

