

By Mr. Cahill of Braintree, petition of the Department of Massachusetts, The American Legion relative to notice of appointment as guardian of certain minors to the United States Veterans' Bureau. Legal Affairs.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty.

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An Act to provide for Notice on Appointments for Guardians of Minors to the United States Veterans' Bureau in Certain Cases.

*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 two of chapter two hundred and one of  
2 the General Laws is hereby amended by adding to  
3 the end of said section the following:— In the matter  
4 of said appointment and all subsequent proceedings  
5 relating thereto the United States Veterans' Bureau  
6 or its successor shall be deemed to be a party in  
7 interest and shall receive such notice as the court may  
8 order, if the proposed ward, or wards, is entitled to any  
9 benefit, estate or income paid or payable by said  
10 bureau or its successor, — so as to read as follows:—  
11 *Section 2.* If a minor is under fourteen the probate  
12 court may nominate and appoint his guardian. If he  
13 is above that age he may nominate his own guardian,  
14 who, if approved by the court, shall be appointed  
15 accordingly. Such nomination may be made before

16 a justice of the peace, notary public, special com-  
17 missioner, or city or town clerk within the common-  
18 wealth who shall certify the fact to the probate court.  
19 If the person nominated is not approved by the court,  
20 or if the minor resides out of the commonwealth, or  
21 if the minor after being cited neglects to nominate  
22 a suitable person, the court may nominate and ap-  
23 point his guardian in the same manner as if he were  
24 under fourteen. If the minor is a married woman no  
25 guardian shall be appointed without such notice to  
26 her husband as the court may order. In the matter  
27 of said appointment and all subsequent proceedings  
28 relating thereto the United States Veterans' Bureau  
29 or its successor shall be deemed to be a party in  
30 interest and shall receive such notice as the court may  
31 order, if the proposed ward, or wards, is entitled to any  
32 benefit, estate or income paid or payable by said  
33 bureau or its successor.



