

HOUSE No. 1754

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 21, 1938.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom was referred the Bill relative to the control of importation of animals with Bangs abortion disease (printed as Senate, No. 149, changed), report recommending that the same be amended by the substitution of the accompanying bill (House, No. 1754).

For the committee,

LAWRENCE DAVIS.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE CONTROL OF THE IMPORTATION
OF ANIMALS AFFECTED WITH BANGS ABORTION DISEASE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter one hundred and twenty-nine of the Gen-
2 eral Laws is hereby amended by striking out section
3 twenty-six A, as appearing in the Tercentenary Edi-
4 tion, and inserting in place thereof the following:—
5 *Section 26A.* Whoever ships, drives or transports
6 into the commonwealth cattle to be used for dairy
7 purposes, unless they have been inspected and passed
8 as healthy by a veterinary inspector of the United
9 States Bureau of Animal Industry or a veterinarian
10 of the state of origin authorized by the state and
11 approved by said bureau and are accompanied by a
12 certificate of health approved by the proper livestock
13 officials of the state of origin stating that each such
14 animal six months of age or over has passed a nega-
15 tive blood test for Bangs abortion disease within
16 thirty days prior to entry, shall be punished by a fine
17 of not more than two hundred dollars.