

HOUSE No. 3908

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, July 9, 1962.

The committee on the Judiciary, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 282) of Charles V. Hogan for legislation to increase the salaries of the judge and associate judges of the Land Court; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1788) of Henry P. Grady and Henry C. Donnelly for increasing the salary of the chief justice and the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court and the Superior Court and the judge and associate judges of the Land Court; and so much of the report of the special commission (including members of the General Court) established (under chapter 125 of the Resolves of 1961) to make an investigation and study of the judicial system of the Commonwealth and the establishment of appropriate salary schedules therein, and other related matters (House, No. 3535) as relates to increasing the salaries of the justices of the Superior Court (App. C, Page 33) and as relates to establishing a Chief Justice of the Land Court, raising judicial salaries and making other changes in the Land Court (App. D, Pages 34 to 38), report the accompanying bill (House, No. 3908).

For the committee,

SUMNER Z. KAPLAN.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Two.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE SALARIES OF JUSTICES OF THE SUPERIOR COURT AND OF JUDGES OF THE LAND COURT.

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. Chapter 212 of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by striking out section 27, as most recently amended
3 by section 2 of chapter 733 of the acts of 1955, and inserting in
4 place thereof the following section:—

5 *Section 27.* The chief justice shall receive a salary of twenty-
6 four thousand dollars and each associate justice a salary of
7 twenty-three thousand dollars, and the chief justice and each
8 associate justice shall annually receive from the commonwealth,
9 upon the certificate of the chief justice, the amount of the ex-
10 pense incurred by them in the discharge of their duties. Such
11 justices shall devote their entire time during ordinary business
12 hours to their respective duties and shall not, directly or indi-
13 rectly, engage in the practice of law.

1 SECTION 2. Chapter 185 of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by striking out section 14, as most recently amended
3 by section 3 of chapter 733 of the acts of 1955, and inserting in
4 place thereof the following section:—

5 *Section 14.* The judge and associate judges of the land court
6 shall each receive a salary of twenty-three thousand dollars and
7 each shall annually receive, upon the certificate of the judge,
8 the amount of the expenses incurred by him in the discharge of
9 his duties, to be paid by the commonwealth. Such judges,
10 the recorder and the deputy recorders shall devote their entire
11 time during ordinary business hours to their respective duties
12 and shall not, directly or indirectly, engage in the practice of
13 law. The recorder and each deputy recorder shall receive such
14 salary or compensation as shall be fixed by the judge, subject to

15 the approval of the governor and council. Except as provided
16 in section ten A, the compensation and salaries of examiners of
17 title and all assistants and messengers shall be fixed by the
18 governor and council. All salaries and expenses of the court
19 shall be paid by the commonwealth, except the salaries of the
20 assistant recorders and the expenses incurred by them under
21 this chapter and the compensation and expenses of their techni-
22 cal assistants appointed under section ten A, which shall be paid
23 by the respective counties. All fees collected by the assistant
24 recorders, except those received upon the filing of petitions,
25 which shall be transmitted with the petitions to the recorder,
26 shall be paid to their respective counties.

