

HOUSE No. 1222.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Mar. 30, 1900.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom was referred the bill to require railroad companies to transport the bicycles of passengers as baggage (House, No. 1194), report recommending the substitution of the following bill.

For the Committee,

C. H. BLOOD.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred.

~~AN ACT~~

To require Railroad Companies to transport the
Bicycles of Passengers as Baggage.

*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. For the purposes of this act
2 bicycles are hereby declared to be baggage, and
3 every railroad company owning or operating a
4 railroad of standard gauge in this Commonwealth
5 is hereby required to check and transport the
6 same between stations within the limits of the
7 Commonwealth for any passenger, subject to the
8 same, and no other charges, terms and liabilities
9 as other baggage: *provided*, that this act shall
10 apply only when the passenger pays by mileage
11 book, or by ticket other than a season ticket, or
12 in cash, the established fare of not less than ten
13 cents, exclusive of any rebate.

1 SECTION 2. No railroad company shall be re-
2 quired to transport in accordance with the pro-

3 visions of this act more than one bicycle for a
4 single passenger; and the weight of the bicycle
5 shall be included in estimating the total weight
6 of baggage for which transportation is desired.

1 SECTION 3. No passenger shall be required
2 to crate, cover, or otherwise protect any bicycle
3 presented for transportation as baggage.

1 SECTION 4. Any railroad company refusing to
2 comply with any provision of this act shall for-
3 feit the sum of twenty-five dollars for every such
4 refusal, to be recovered in an action of tort by the
5 passenger for whose bicycle transportation as
6 aforesaid is refused.

