

HOUSE No. 817.

[Bill accompanying the petition of John Kerrison for legislation to authorize the licensing of business brokers in the city of Boston. Joint Judiciary. Feb. 4.]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and One.

AN ACT

To authorize the Licensing of Business Brokers in
the City of Boston.

*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. The board of police for the city of
2 Boston may license persons to act as business
3 brokers within the said city for the term of one
4 year.

1 SECTION 2. A business broker is defined for
2 the purpose of this act to be one engaged as an
3 agent or otherwise in the occupation of buying,
4 selling or otherwise disposing of the good will of
5 any business, or the right to carry on any business
6 in any particular room or building, whether or not
7 such transaction be accompanied by the sale or
8 leasing of furniture or other commodities, or the
9 transfer of any lease of real estate, furniture or
10 other commodity.

1 SECTION 3. Such license shall be subject to the
2 provisions of sections one hundred and twenty-
3 four to one hundred and twenty-seven, inclusive, of
4 chapter one hundred and two of the Public Stat-
5 utes, except that the license fee shall be ten dol-
6 lars. Such licenses shall not be transferable with-
7 out the consent of the licensing board. The said
8 board may at any time revoke any such license
9 for just cause.

1 SECTION 4. The board of police may make
2 such additional rules and regulations for business
3 brokers as they may deem necessary.

1 SECTION 5. Whoever, not being licensed as
2 aforesaid, carries on such business or is concerned
3 in carrying on such business in the city of Boston,
4 and whoever falsely represents himself to be so
5 licensed by the said city, shall be punished by a
6 fine not exceeding two hundred dollars, or by
7 imprisonment not exceeding six months, or by
8 both such fine and imprisonment.

1 SECTION 6. Nothing in this act shall be con-
2 strued to affect the right of any person to buy,
3 sell or otherwise dispose of his own property, or
4 to buy, sell or otherwise dispose of the property
5 of any other person without compensation; nor
6 executors, administrators, sheriffs, deputy sheriffs,
7 constables, auctioneers or any other person whose
8 fiduciary or official duties may include the buying,
9 selling or other disposition of any kind of property.