

HOUSE No. 533.

[Bill accompanying the petition of John H. Kerrison for legislation to authorize the licensing of business brokers in the city of Boston. Joint Judiciary. January 30.]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Two.

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
2 of 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 busi-
6 ness in any particular room or building, whether
7 or not such transaction be accompanied by the
8 sale or leasing of furniture or other commodities,
9 or the transfer of any lease of real estate, furni-
10 ture or other commodity.

1 SECTION 3. Such license shall be subject to
2 the provisions of sections one hundred and eighty-
3 five to one hundred and eighty-nine inclusive of
4 the Revised Laws of Massachusetts, except that
5 the license fee shall be ten dollars. Such licenses
6 shall not be transferable without the consent of
7 the licensing board. The said board may at any
8 time revoke any such license 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 im-
7 prisonment not exceeding six months, or by both
8 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 person without compensation; nor execu-
6 tors, administrators, sheriffs, deputy-sheriffs, con-
7 stables, auctioneers or any person whose fiduciary
8 or official duties may include the buying, selling
9 or other disposition of any kind of property.

