

HOUSE No. 549

Bill accompanying the petition of James A. Watson for legislation relative to the transportation of gypsy and brown-tail moths. Agriculture. January 16.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eleven.

AN ACT

Relative to Transportation of Gypsy and Brown-Tail Moths.

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. Section one hundred and eight of chapter
2 two hundred and eight, Revised Laws, is hereby amended
3 by adding to said section, after the word "imprison-
4 ment," in the last line of said section, the words:— two
5 thirds of which fine shall be paid to the complainant, —
6 so as to read as follows:— *Section 108.* Whoever know-
7 ingly brings the insects which are known as oeneria dis-
8 par or gypsy moth or as the brown-tail moth, or their
9 nests or eggs, into this commonwealth, or whoever know-
10 ingly transports said insects or their eggs or nests from
11 one city or town to another city or town in the common-
12 wealth, except when engaged in, and for the purpose of,

13 destroying them shall be punished by a fine of not more
14 than two hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not
15 more than sixty days, or by both such fine and imprison-
16 ment, two thirds of which fine shall be paid to the com-
17 plainant.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.