

# HOUSE . . . . No. 645

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Bill accompanying the petition of E. B. George for legislation to regulate the engagements of counsel in the courts. Joint Judiciary. January 16.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eleven.

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### AN ACT

To regulate the Engagements of Counsel in the Courts of the Commonwealth.

*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 eighty-one of chapter one hun-  
2 dred and seventy-three of the Revised Laws is amended  
3 by adding after the word "engaged". in the first line  
4 thereof, the words: — in, assigned for or held, — and after  
5 the word "auditor", in the fifth line thereof, the words:—  
6 in the county in which he is so engaged, assigned or  
7 held, — and by adding at the end of said section the fol-  
8 lowing:— but nothing herein shall be construed as  
9 exempting said counsel from trying in any other county  
10 than that in which they are engaged, assigned or held, —  
11 so that said section shall read as follows:— *Section 81.*

12 An attorney of record who is actually engaged in, assigned  
13 for or held in the trial of a cause in the supreme judicial  
14 court or in the superior court, or before an auditor who  
15 has been appointed by either of said courts, shall not be  
16 required to proceed to the trial of any other cause in  
17 either of said courts or before another auditor in the  
18 county in which he is so engaged, assigned or held, ex-  
19 cept by special order of the court; but nothing herein  
20 shall be construed as exempting said counsel from trying  
21 in any other county than that in which they are engaged,  
22 assigned or held.

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