

HOUSE No. 1997

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Feb. 5, 1913.

The committee on Legal Affairs, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 58) of Frederic J. Grady for legislation relative to the compensation of jurors; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 317) of William J. Sullivan for legislation relative to the compensation of jurors; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 558) of Thomas J. Casey for legislation to increase the pay of jurors; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 559) of P. Joseph McManus for legislation to increase the pay of grand and traverse jurors; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 316) of Francis J. Horgan and John J. Conway for legislation to provide for the suitable compensation of jurors, report the accompanying bill.

For the committee,

N. A. TUFTS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Feb. 25, 1913.

The committee on Counties on the part of the House, to whom was referred the Bill relative to the compensation of jurors, report that the same ought to pass with an amendment in section 1, striking out, in line 1, the word "three," and inserting in place thereof the word "four."

For the committee,

JEREMIAH O'LEARY.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirteen.

AN ACT

Relative to the Compensation of Jurors.

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. A juror shall receive as compensation
2 three dollars a day for attendance, and shall also be al-
3 lowed the amount of the expense actually and necessarily
4 incurred by him for transportation by railroad, railway
5 or stage from his home to the court and return for every
6 day he is in attendance. A juror who serves in court,
7 except traverse jurors empanelled to try cases of murder
8 in the first degree, shall receive said sum of three dollars
9 for every day there is a regular session of the court in
10 the term or sitting for which he is drawn, whether he has
11 actually attended or not, unless he is excused by the court
12 at his own request, or unless by reason of physical disa-
13 bility he is unable to be present, in which cases he shall
14 not be entitled to such fee on the days he is so absent.
15 If a juror is required to be in attendance or to serve for
16 five or more consecutive days he shall receive his fees
17 not later than the end of every fifth day of such attend-
18 ance or service. Each juror shall prepare a separate

19 itemized statement of the amount expended by him in
20 each week for travel and due him for attendance, and
21 shall certify the same to the clerk of the court at which
22 the juror attends, and said clerk shall audit the same and
23 certify it to the county treasurer to be paid from the
24 county treasury.

1 SECTION 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent
2 herewith are hereby repealed.

1 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

