

HOUSE No. 660

Bill accompanying the petition of W. N. Cronin and others relative to the oath required in notice of intention of marriage. Legal Affairs. January 15.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fourteen.

AN ACT

Relative to the Oath required in Notice of Intention of Marriage.

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 seventeen of chapter one hundred
2 and fifty-one of the Revised Laws, as amended by chap-
3 ter one hundred and twenty of the acts of the year nine-
4 teen hundred and twelve and chapter seven hundred and
5 fifty-two of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and
6 thirteen, is hereby further amended by inserting after
7 the word "him", in the sixth line, the words: — or be-
8 fore a regularly employed clerk in his office designated
9 by him, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 17.* The
10 clerk or registrar shall require notice of intention of mar-
11 riage to be given to him in writing, on blanks to be fur-

12 nished by him, by one of the parties to such intended mar-
13 riage, or by his or her parent or legal guardian, and shall
14 require the party who gives such notice to make oath be-
15 fore him or before a regularly employed clerk in his
16 office designated by him, to the truth of all the state-
17 ments therein, whereof he or she could have knowledge,
18 and also to make oath that there are no legal impediments
19 to such intended marriage. In cities or towns having an
20 assistant clerk or registrar he may administer the oath.
21 No fee shall be charged for administering such oath.

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