

HOUSE No. 1258

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 26, 1925.

The committee on Bills, in the Third Reading, to whom was referred the Bill relative to the appointment and compensation of assistant district attorneys and the employment of legal assistants in the Suffolk district (House, No. 1223), report recommending that the same be amended by the substitution of the accompanying bill.

For the committee,

THOMAS C. CROWTHER.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-Five.

An Act relative to the Appointment of Assistant District Attorneys for the Suffolk District and the Employment of Legal Assistants in Said District, and to their Compensation.

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 fourteen of chapter twelve of the
2 General Laws, as amended by section one of chapter
3 three hundred and four of the acts of nineteen hundred
4 and twenty-two, by section one of chapter two hundred
5 and eleven of the acts of nineteen hundred and twenty-
6 three and by section one of chapter two hundred and
7 sixty-five of the acts of nineteen hundred and twenty-
8 four, is hereby further amended by striking out the first
9 two paragraphs included in lines one to five, inclusive,
10 and inserting in place thereof the following: — *Section 14.*
11 District attorneys of the following districts may appoint
12 the following officers and legal assistants, as herein
13 specified, whose appointment shall be exempt from
14 chapter thirty-one, and may at their pleasure remove
15 them:

16 For the Suffolk district, such number of assistant dis-
17 trict attorneys, not exceeding eight, and such number of
18 legal assistants including special assistants who shall have
19 authority to try cases to which they are specially as-
20 signed, as shall be approved by the governor and council.

1 SECTION 2. Section sixteen of said chapter twelve, as
2 amended by section two of chapter three hundred and
3 four of the acts of nineteen hundred and twenty-two, by
4 section two of chapter two hundred and eleven and sec-
5 tion two of chapter three hundred and ninety-eight, both
6 of the acts of nineteen hundred and twenty-three, and by
7 section two of chapter two hundred and sixty-five of the
8 acts of nineteen hundred and twenty-four, is hereby
9 further amended by striking out the first two paragraphs
10 included in lines one to five, inclusive, and inserting in
11 place thereof the following: — *Section 16.* The district
12 attorney for the Suffolk district may expend for the
13 salaries of assistant district attorneys for said district
14 and for the compensation of legal assistants such sums
15 as shall be annually appropriated therefor by the general
16 court and, subject to the approval of the governor and
17 council, may fix their salaries or compensation. Said
18 district attorney shall file annual estimates as required
19 by sections three and four of chapter twenty-nine.

20 Assistant, second assistant and third assistant district
21 attorneys and deputy district attorneys for districts,
22 other than Suffolk, shall receive from the commonwealth
23 salaries as follows:

1 SECTION 3. Section twenty of said chapter twelve, as
2 amended by chapter seventy-one of the acts of nineteen
3 hundred and twenty-five, is hereby repealed.

1 SECTION 4. Subject to appropriation, the district
2 attorney for the Suffolk district may expend during the
3 current fiscal year for the salaries of assistant district
4 attorneys and for the compensation of legal assistants
5 such sum, not exceeding thirty-five hundred dollars, in
6 addition to the amount heretofore appropriated, as shall

7 be approved by the governor and council; and said
8 district attorney may continue expenditures in the
9 fiscal year beginning December first, nineteen hundred
10 and twenty-five, at the monthly rate authorized for
11 October and November, by the appropriations for the
12 current fiscal year, including the increase provided by
13 this act, until the general court makes an appropriation
14 therefor or provides otherwise.

1 SECTION 5. This act shall take effect on October first,
2 nineteen hundred and twenty-five.