

HOUSE No. 1855

By Mr. Danovitch of Norwood, petition of James M. Murphy, Alan Paul Danovitch and others for legislation to clarify the right of a police officer to arrest on fresh and continued pursuit. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Seven.

AN ACT CLARIFYING THE RIGHT OF A POLICE OFFICER TO ARREST ON FRESH AND CONTINUED PURSUIT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 41 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 inserting after section 98 the following new section:—
3 *Section 98A.* A police officer of a city or town of the
4 commonwealth who is empowered to make arrests within said
5 city or town may, on fresh and continued pursuit, exercise his
6 power of arrest in any city or town in the commonwealth for
7 an offense committed in his presence within his jurisdiction
8 for which he would have the right to arrest within his
9 jurisdiction. The aforesaid power shall be in additon to and
10 not in derogation of the common law. Said officer is further
11 empowered to return any person so arrested to the jurisdic-
12 tion wherein said offense was committed to be dealt with
13 according to law.

IN SENATE, January 11, 1888.

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