

By Mr. Manning of Milton, petition of M. Joseph Manning relative to the fees of registers of deeds. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE FEES OF REGISTERS OF DEEDS.

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 262 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of
2 Massachusetts is amended by striking section 38 and substituting
3 thereof the following section: —

4 The fees of registers of deeds, except as otherwise provided, to
5 be paid when the instrument is left for recording, filing or deposit
6 shall be as follows: For entering and recording any paper, certifying
7 the same on the original, and indexing it, and for all other
8 duties pertaining thereto, \$20.00. The fee for recording a deed or
9 conveyance shall be \$35.00. The fee for recording a mortgage shall
10 be \$25.00. If the paper contains more than four pages, at the rate of
11 one dollar for each page after the first four pages.

12 For a document discharging a mortgage \$20.00 and \$20.00 for
13 each additional discharge of mortgage contained in the document.

14 For an assignment of a mortgage \$20.00 and \$20.00 for each
15 additional assignment contained in the document.

16 For all certified copies, at the rate of one dollar a legal page of two
17 hundred and twenty-four words. For copies of all instruments,
18 except copies of plans, at the rate of seventy-five cents a page.

19 For each abstract card referred to in section twenty-four B of
20 chapter thirty-six, fifty cents.

21 For recording and filing a plan not over fourteen inches by nine
22 and one-half inches, \$20.00. For larger sizes, three dollars, for each
23 additional square foot or any part thereof.

24 For entering any additional marginal reference or references
25 when required, one dollar for each reference.

By the printing of which copies of the Act are to be printed for the use of the House of Representatives.

The Copyrights of Manuscripts

In the Year 1870, the House of Representatives

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE RIGHTS OF AUTHORSHIP IN MANUSCRIPTS.

That the Secretary of the Interior be and he is hereby authorized to cause to be printed and distributed to the members of the House of Representatives a copy of the Act in relation to the rights of authorship in manuscripts.

Chapter 251 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is amended in relation to the following subject:—

The Act in relation to the rights of authorship in manuscripts, as amended, shall be as follows: For writing and printing any paper, book, or other work in the English, French, or Italian language, or for engraving, etching, or otherwise reproducing any such work, the author or proprietor thereof shall be entitled to the sole right of printing and publishing the same in the United States for the term of years therein expressed, and no other person shall be permitted to print or publish the same without the consent of the author or proprietor thereof.

1. In a manuscript the author or proprietor thereof shall be entitled to the sole right of printing and publishing the same in the United States for the term of years therein expressed, and no other person shall be permitted to print or publish the same without the consent of the author or proprietor thereof.

2. The author or proprietor of a manuscript shall be entitled to the sole right of printing and publishing the same in the United States for the term of years therein expressed, and no other person shall be permitted to print or publish the same without the consent of the author or proprietor thereof.

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