

HOUSE No. 3260

By Mr. Fallon of Clinton, petition of Thomas F. Fallon relative to sentences and fines imposed in the Superior Court in cases which are appealed from the district court. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATING TO SENTENCES AND FINES IMPOSED IN THE SUPERIOR COURT IN CASES WHICH ARE APPEALED FROM THE DISTRICT COURT.

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 278 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 inserting after section 20 the following section:—

3 *Section 20A.* Whoever, having been convicted of a crime in
4 a district court, appeals to the superior court, shall not re-
5 ceive a sentence or fine which is in each instance greater than
6 the sentence or fine received in the district court.

The Commissioning of *Legislation*

Section 101 of the *Legislation Act, 1925*

It is hereby declared that the Commissioning of *Legislation* shall be deemed to have been effected if the Commissioning of *Legislation* is effected in accordance with the provisions of this section.

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1. Chapter 273 of the General Law is hereby amended by inserting after section 101 the following section:—
2. Section 101, *Legislation Act, 1925*, having been amended as aforesaid.
3. A clause commencing with the words "and shall not be" shall be inserted in the section so amended.
4. Any sentence or clause inserted in the section so amended shall be deemed to have been inserted in the section so amended.