

By Mr. Murphy of Brockton, petition of Paul Maurice Murphy for legislation to provide for the appointment of an additional court officer for the probate court for Plymouth County. Counties.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Two.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF AN ADDITIONAL COURT OFFICER FOR THE PROBATE COURT FOR PLYMOUTH COUNTY.

*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 217 of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
2 striking out section 30, as most recently amended by chapter  
3 1092 of the acts of 1971, and inserting in place thereof the  
4 following section: —

5 *Section 30.* The judges of probate for the counties of  
6 Suffolk, Middlesex, Plymouth and Norfolk may appoint three  
7 officers, and the judges of probate for the counties of Essex  
8 and Worcester may appoint two officers to attend the sessions  
9 of the probate court and court of insolvency of their respective  
10 counties. Such officers may be removed at the pleasure of the  
11 judge or judges of probate of their respective counties, and said  
12 judge or judges may fill any vacancy caused by removal or  
13 otherwise. Each court officer appointed hereunder for Suffolk,  
14 Middlesex, Worcester, Essex, Norfolk or Plymouth county shall  
15 give bond with sufficient sureties approved by a judge of his  
16 court for the faithful performance of his duties, in the sum of  
17 one thousand dollars, payable to the treasurer of Suffolk coun-  
18 ty or to Middlesex, Worcester, Essex, Norfolk or Plymouth  
19 county, as the case may be. Each officer appointed hereunder

20 shall serve the orders, precepts and processes issued by the  
21 probate court for which he is appointed or by a judge thereof;  
22 and shall at the expense of his county be furnished with a  
23 uniform such as the court shall order, which he shall wear  
24 while in attendance on said court.