

# HOUSE . . . . No. 341.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Feb. 2, 1893.

[Introduced on leave by Mr. PARKER of Boston. Read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.]

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## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-three.

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### AN ACT

Relating to Paupers and Neglected Children.

*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. Whenever any pauper has been commit-  
2 ted to the workhouse of any city or town, or placed un-  
3 der the charge of the overseers thereof, and whenever  
4 any neglected child has been placed in charge of the  
5 overseers of the poor of any city or town, or in Boston,  
6 the commissioners of public institutions, and it shall  
7 afterwards appear that such pauper or neglected child  
8 had no settlement in the city or town in the charge of  
9 whose officers he has been placed, such pauper or neg-  
10 lected child may be placed in charge of the state board  
11 of lunacy and charity if it appears that such pauper or

12 neglected child has no settlement in this Commonwealth,  
13 or if he has a settlement in this Commonwealth, then in  
14 charge of the authorities of the city or town in which he  
15 has said settlement. Any expenses incurred by a city  
16 or town for the support of such pauper or neglected child  
17 prior to such placing shall be repaid by the Common-  
18 wealth or by the city or town in which the settlement of  
19 such pauper or neglected child is found to be.

1     SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.



