

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 1341.

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[House, No. 1316, as passed to be engrossed.]

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## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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

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### AN ACT

To establish the District Court of Western Norfolk.

*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. The towns of Bellingham, Foxborough,  
2 Franklin, Medway, Millis, Norfolk, Walpole and Wren-  
3 tham in the county of Norfolk, shall constitute a judicial  
4 district under the jurisdiction of a court to be called the  
5 district court of western Norfolk. Said court shall be  
6 held in the towns of Franklin and Walpole.

1 SECTION 2. Said court shall be open daily for the  
2 transaction of business, except on Sundays and legal  
3 holidays. Sessions of said court for criminal business  
4 shall be held at Walpole on Monday, Wednesday and  
5 Friday, and at Franklin on Tuesday, Thursday and

6 Saturday of each week. Sessions of said court for the  
7 trial of civil actions shall be held at Walpole on Wed-  
8 nesday, and at Franklin on Saturday of each week, and  
9 the return day for writs and other processes in civil  
10 action shall be at Franklin on Saturday of each week.  
11 Actions for trial at the session of said court held at  
12 Walpole shall be so designated on or before the expira-  
13 tion of the time for filing the answer. Said court may  
14 transfer an action from one of said sessions to the other,  
15 or may adjourn from one of said towns to the other  
16 whenever the public convenience may seem to the justice  
17 presiding therein to render such action expedient.

1 SECTION 3. There shall be one justice, two special  
2 justices and a clerk of said court. The justice shall  
3 receive an annual salary of one thousand dollars, and  
4 the clerk an annual salary of five hundred dollars, to be  
5 paid by the county of Norfolk. All the provisions of  
6 law applicable to district courts shall apply to said court.

1 SECTION 4. The first session of said court shall be  
2 held at Franklin on the second day of July in the year  
3 eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, but nothing in this  
4 act shall affect any suit or other proceedings begun prior  
5 to said second day of July.

1 SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 16, 1898.

Passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

JAMES W. KIMBALL, *Clerk.*



