

By Mr. Manning of Milton, petition of M. Joseph Manning relative to the fee for lost or destroyed duplicate certificates of title of the land Court. The Judiciary.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE FEE FOR A LOST OR DESTROYED DUPLICATE  
CERTIFICATE OF TITLE OF THE LAND 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 one hundred and eighty-five of the General Laws is  
2 hereby amended by striking out Section 111 and inserting in place  
3 thereof the following:—

4 *Section 111.* If a duplicate certificate is lost or destroyed, or  
5 cannot be produced by a grantee, heir, devisee, assignee or other  
6 person applying for the entry of a new certificate to him or for the  
7 registration of any instrument, a suggestion of the fact of such loss  
8 or destruction may be filed in the registry district where the land  
9 lies by the registered owner or other person in interest and regis-  
10 tered. Said registry district may thereupon, upon the petition of the  
11 registered owner or other person in interest, upon a form prescribed  
12 by the Chief Justice of the Land Court issue a new duplicate  
13 certificate, which shall contain a memorandum of the fact that it is  
14 issued in place of a lost duplicate certificate, but shall in all respects  
15 be entitled to like faith and credit as the original duplicate, and  
16 shall thereafter be regarded as the original duplicate for all the  
17 purposes of this chapter. The fee for filing said petition and the  
18 issuance of a new duplicate certificate of title shall be twenty-five  
19 dollars.

