

**SENATE . . . . No. 144.**

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**Commonwealth of Massachusetts.**

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IN SENATE, March 28, 1876.

The Joint Special Committee on District Courts, to whom was referred the Order relative to the judicial department of the Commonwealth, report the accompanying Bill.

For the Committee,

GEO. D. ROBINSON.

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-Six.

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### AN ACT

Relating to the Clerks of the Police Courts of Chelsea  
and Springfield.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1    SECT. 1. Instead of the election of a clerk of  
2 the police court of Chelsea at the next municipal  
3 election in Chelsea, as now required by law, a  
4 clerk of said court shall be appointed and commis-  
5 sioned by the governor for the term of five years  
6 from the first day of January next, and thereafter  
7 for successive terms of the same length, if the  
8 office of such clerk shall then exist.

1    SECT. 2. Instead of the election of a clerk of  
2 the police court of Springfield at the next muni-  
3 cipal election in Springfield, as now required by  
4 law, a clerk of said court shall be appointed and  
5 commissioned by the governor for the term of five  
6 years from the first day of January next, and

7 thereafter for successive terms of the same length,  
8 if the office of such clerk shall then exist.

1   SECT. 3. The clerks of said courts now in  
2 office shall hold their offices until successors are  
3 appointed and qualified. Vacancies shall be filled  
4 by appointment in the manner above provided.

1   SECT. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent  
2 herewith shall not apply to the clerks of said  
3 courts, but all other provisions of law in force re-  
4 lating to clerks of police courts shall be applicable  
5 to the clerks of said police courts of Chelsea and  
6 Springfield.

1   SECT. 5. So mnch of chapter one hundred and  
2 sixty-nine of the acts of the year eighteen hundred  
3 and sixty-six, and of chapter one hundred and  
4 sixty-three of the acts of the year eighteen hun-  
5 dred and seventy-two, and of chapter two hundred  
6 and one of the acts of the year eighteen hundred  
7 and seventy-four, as requires an election of clerks  
8 of police courts in Chelsea and Springfield, is  
9 hereby repealed.

