

By Mr. Flaherty of Boston, petition of Michael F. Flaherty and another relative to increasing the fees of court stenographers for furnishing transcripts of their notes. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT INCREASING THE FEES OF COURT STENOGRAPHERS FOR FURNISHING TRANSCRIPTS OF THEIR NOTES.

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 221 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking
2 out section 88, as most recently amended by chapter 261 of the
3 acts of 1969, and inserting in place thereof the following
4 section:—

5 *Section 88.* Upon request of the presiding justice or any party,
6 the stenographer shall furnish a transcript of his notes, or any
7 part thereof, taken at a trial or hearing, for which he shall be paid
8 by the party requesting it at the rate of one dollar and fifty cents
9 per page for one copy, fifty cents per page for a second copy, and
10 twenty-five cents per page for each additional copy if more than
11 one copy is ordered at the same time. In the event that daily copy
12 is ordered by the presiding justice or any party, the page rate for
13 the original copy shall be two dollars and fifty cents per page, fifty
14 cents per page for a second copy, and twenty-five cents per page
15 for each additional copy. If transcript is ordered by the presiding
16 justice or, in a criminal case, by the district attorney, payment
17 therefor at the same rate shall be made by the county upon a
18 voucher approved by him, and, in a criminal case, the charges of
19 transcripts furnished to said justice and to the district attorney
20 shall be taxed like other income.

