

HOUSE No. 3756

By Mrs. Pines of Newton, petition of the Family Law Committee of the Boston Bar Association, Lois G. Pines, Robert C. Buell and another for legislation to abolish causes of action for alienation of affections. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT ABOLISHING CAUSES OF ACTION FOR ALIENATION OF AFFECTIONS.

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. Section 1 of chapter 207 of the General Laws is
2 hereby amended by inserting after section 47A, under the caption
3 ALIENATION OF AFFECTIONS NOT ACTIONABLE, the
4 following section: —

5 *Section 47B.* Alienation of affections shall not constitute an
6 injury or wrong recognized by law, and no action, suit or
7 proceeding shall be maintained therefor.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall not affect any action to recover
2 damages for alienation of affections which shall have been
3 commenced prior to its effective date.

