

HOUSE No. 3962

By Mr. Manning of Waltham, petition of Donald J. Manning relative to trials by juries in certain Probate Court proceedings. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY.

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 208 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 inserting after section 47 the following section:—

3 *Section 48.* In any probate court proceeding where there are
4 findings of material facts relative to general issues of domestic
5 relations which shall include the areas of marriage, divorce,
6 custody and support of children and adoptions, either of the
7 spouses may request a trial by jury as to the material facts which
8 are not stipulated to by the parties.

