

SENATE....No. 17.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

IN SENATE, JANUARY 11, 1850.

ORDERED, That so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the alien passenger law be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

CHAS. CALHOUN, *Clerk.*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

IN SENATE, January 25, 1850.

The Committee on the Judiciary, to which was committed by an order of the 11th inst., so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the alien passenger law, report the accompanying Bill.

GEO. S. HILLARD, *Chairman.*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty.

AN ACT

Relating to Alien Passengers.

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. Any master, owner, consignee, or agent,
2 of any vessel, or any passenger carrier, by water,
3 who shall bring, or aid in bringing, into this Com-
4 monwealth, any alien pauper, lunatic, idiot, maimed,
5 aged, infirm, or destitute person, incompetent to take
6 care of themselves, and never before within the State,
7 without payment, on demand made by the superin-
8 tendent of alien passengers, for each and every such
9 alien, of the sum of one hundred dollars, and the
10 delivery of a bond, to the Commonwealth, with good
11 and sufficient sureties, for one thousand dollars, that
12 no such alien shall ever become a city, town, or State
13 charge, as a pauper, shall forfeit and pay to the Com-
14 monwealth the sum of one thousand dollars for every

15 such alien so brought into this State contrary to law ;
16 and no other alien, not authorized by the constitu-
17 tion of the United States, and the laws and treaties
18 made in pursuance thereof, shall come, or be brought
19 into this State, without payment, on demand made
20 by the said superintendent, of the sum of two dollars
21 for each, under a penalty of five hundred dollars, to
22 be forfeited and paid to the Commonwealth for the
23 support of alien paupers.

1 SECT. 2. The superintendent of alien passengers,
2 in any city or town of this Commonwealth, may
3 make all demands for payments and bonds, and all
4 examinations of alien passengers, brought or coming
5 into this State by water, necessary to enforce the pro-
6 visions of this act, and all other acts in force relating
7 to alien passengers.

1 SECT. 3. The laws relating to alien passengers
2 shall not extend to seamen sent from foreign places
3 by consuls or vice consuls of the United States ; nor
4 to ambassadors, consuls, or public ministers, or other
5 persons representing foreign states ; nor to vessels
6 coming on shore in distress ; nor to any alien pas-
7 senger taken from any wreck where life is in danger.

1 SECT. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent
2 with this act are hereby repealed.