

HOUSE...No. 161.

[Proposed by Mr. KIMBALL, of Boston, as an amendment to Report (inexpedient) on the Order relative to that subject.]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty.

AN ACT

In relation to single acts of Drunkenness.

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. No person shall be fined or imprisoned
2 for a single act of drunkenness, any thing in the laws
3 of the Commonwealth to the contrary notwithstanding:
4 *provided, however,* that police officers and con-
5 stables, or other persons authorized by any city or

6 town for that especial purpose, may arrest and detain
7 until sober, persons found drunk and disorderly, but
8 no such officer shall be allowed to receive any fee or
9 reward for, or on account of, any such arrest, further
10 than shall be paid such officers for their services by
11 the city or town in which they reside.

1 SECT. 2. This act shall take effect on the second
2 day of June next.