

HOUSE No. 1659

By Mr. Feeney of Boston, petition of the Boston Police Patrolmen's Association, Inc., that provision be made for a defense in an action for false arrest. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A DEFENSE IN AN ACTION FOR FALSE ARREST.

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 231 of the Massachusetts General Laws is hereby
2 amended by striking Sections 94A and inserting in place thereof
3 the following section:—

4 “*Section 94A.* If a person authorized to make an arrest shall
5 have probable cause to believe that an offense has been committed
6 such probable cause shall be a defense in an action brought against
7 him for false arrest or imprisonment.”

