

HOUSE No. 5556

By Mr. Flaherty, petition of Samuel E. Zoll and Michael F. Flaherty that provision be made for the reimbursement of all or part of the reasonable costs incurred by a judge in connection with the defense of an allegation of misconduct against him before the Commission on Judicial Conduct, a court or other body. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OF ALL OR PART OF THE REASONABLE COSTS INCURRED BY A JUDGE IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEFENSE OF AN ALLEGATION OF MISCONDUCT AGAINST HIM BEFORE THE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT, A COURT OR OTHER BODY.

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 2 of chapter 211C of the General Laws is hereby amend-
2 ed by adding the following paragraph: —

3 The supreme judicial court may, when it determines that justice
4 will be served thereby, order that a judge be reimbursed by the
5 commonwealth for all or part of the reasonable costs incurred by
6 him in connection with the defense of an allegation of misconduct
7 against him before the commission on judicial conduct, a court or
8 other body. In making such an order the supreme judicial court
9 shall consider the nature of the misconduct proven, if any, and such
10 other factors as it deems appropriate. Such an order shall be
11 transmitted to the state treasurer and paid forthwith.

REPORT OF THE

COMMISSIONERS OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

IN ANSWER TO A RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

IN APRIL 1861, RELATIVE TO THE

STATE OF THE LANDS BELONGING TO THE CROWN