

HOUSE No. 3151

By Mr. Flaherty of Boston, petition of Michael F. Flaherty for legislation to establish uniform compensation levels for clerks of court of the Superior Court Department.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Four.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING UNIFORM COMPENSATION LEVELS FOR CLERKS OF COURT OF THE SUPERIOR COURT DEPARTMENT.

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 1. Section 94 of Chapter 221 of the General Laws
2 under caption Superior Court Department For Criminal Business
3 In The County of Suffolk is hereby amended by striking out the
4 first sentence reading, "Clerk — Thirty-nine thousand three
5 hundred and eighty seven dollars and fifteen cents" and inserting in
6 place thereof the following line: Clerk — a sum equivalent to eighty
7 five percent of the salary of an associate justice of the superior
8 court.

1 SECTION 2. Section 94 of Chapter 221 of the General Laws,
2 under caption Superior Court Department For Civil Business In
3 The County of Suffolk is hereby amended by striking out the first
4 sentence of the first paragraph reading "Clerk — Thirty-nine thou-
5 sand three hundred and eighty-seven dollars and fifteen cents" and
6 inserting in place thereof the following line: Clerk — a sum equi-
7 valent to eighty five percent of the salary of an associate justice of
8 the superior court.

1 SECTION 3. Section 94 of Chapter 221 of the General Laws
2 under caption Superior Court Department For Civil Business is

3 hereby amended by striking out the seventh paragraph containing
4 the salary levels for clerks of court in all other counties and by
5 inserting in place thereof the following paragraph: —

6 “In all other counties the salaries of the clerks of courts shall be a
7 sum equivalent to eighty-five percent of the salary of an associate
8 justice of the superior court.”

1 SECTION 4. Subsection (2) of Section 79 of Chapter 218 of the
2 General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the first paragraph
3 of said subsection as most recently amended by Chapter 587 of the
4 Acts of 1982, and inserting in place thereof the following para-
5 graph: —

6 The Clerk of a Class I district court division shall receive as a
7 salary a sum equivalent to sixty six percent of the salary of a justice
8 of the district court. The Clerk of a Class II district court division
9 shall receive as a salary a sum equivalent to eighty percent of the
10 salary of a Clerk of a Class I district division; and the Clerk of a
11 Class III district division shall receive as a salary a sum equivalent
12 to seventy percent of a Clerk of a Class I district division. This
13 subsection is further amended by providing the following: Effective
14 July 1, 1984 the salary of a Class I district court division shall be
15 eighty percent of the salary of a justice of the district court; the
16 salary of the Clerk of a Class II district court division shall be a sum
17 equivalent to eighty percent of the salary of the Clerk of a Class I
18 district court division. The salary of the Clerk of a Class III district
19 court division shall be a sum equivalent to seventy percent of the
20 salary of the Clerk of a Class I district court division.

21 Effective July 1, 1985, the salary of the Clerk of a Class I district
22 court division shall be a sum equivalent to eighty-five percent of the
23 salary of a justice of the district court; the salary of the Clerk of a
24 Class II district court division shall be a sum equivalent to eighty
25 percent of the salary of a Clerk of a Class I district court division.
26 The salary of the Clerk of a Class III district court division shall be
27 a sum equivalent to seventy percent of the salary of the Clerk of a
28 Class I district court.