

HOUSE No. 332

By Mr. Young of Scituate, petition of George C. Young that justices of the peace be authorized to solemnize marriages throughout the Commonwealth. Government Regulations.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Two.

AN ACT PROVIDING THAT JUSTICES OF THE PEACE MAY SOLEMNIZE MARRIAGES ANY PLACE WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH.

1 Section 39 of chapter 207 of the General Laws, as most
2 recently amended by section 3 of chapter 81 of the acts of 1968,
3 is hereby further amended by striking out the first sentence and
4 inserting in place thereof the following sentence: — The governor
5 may in his discretion designate a justice of the peace in each
6 town and such further number, not exceeding one for every five
7 thousand inhabitants of a city or town, as he considers
8 expedient, to solemnize marriages anywhere within the common-
9 wealth, and may for cause at any time revoke such designation.

HOUSE No. 333

By Mr. Young of Georgia: (Author of H. R. 333)
The title of the bill is "An Act to amend the
act of the 75th Congress, Chapter 22, entitled

Act Commemorating the Bicentennial

of the Founding of the United States

and for other purposes. That the title of the bill
be so amended as to read "An Act to amend the
act of the 75th Congress, Chapter 22, entitled

- 1 Section 20 of Chapter 22 of the 75th Congress, as amended
- 2 hereby amended by section 2 of Chapter 22 of the 75th Congress,
- 3 a hereby further amended by striking out the first sentence and
- 4 inserting in place thereof the following sentence: "The purpose
- 5 of the bicentennial program is to honor the 75th anniversary of
- 6 the signing of the Declaration of Independence and to inspire the
- 7 people of the United States to a sense of national pride and
- 8 patriotism in connection with the bicentennial celebration."
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