

HOUSE No. 1921

By Mr. Guilmette of Lawrence, petition of L. L. Laughlin (Commissioner of Public Safety) for legislation to authorize police officers to arrest a person for uttering a false prescription to purchase narcotic drugs. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Nine.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING A POLICE OFFICER TO ARREST A PERSON FOR
UTTERING A FALSE PRESCRIPTION TO PROCURE DRUGS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as
follows:*

1 In General Laws, chapter 94, section 187D. Penalty for
2 violation of SS. 186. Amend said section by adding after the
3 word "alters" the words: or utters. Also add the following
4 paragraph:—

5 "Any police officer who has probable cause to believe that
6 a person is violating any provision of this section shall detain
7 or arrest said person without the necessity of obtaining a war-
8 rant and seize such drugs."

The Government of the State

Resolved, That the following be the

policy of the State in relation to

the management of the public lands

and the disposal of the same

in accordance with the principles