

HOUSE No. 458

By Mr. Haskell of Merrimac, petition of Ernest W. Haskell for a limitation of the time within which a writ of mandamus may be brought to set aside a decennial apportionment of representatives to the General Court. The Judiciary (Joint). Jan. 14.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-Seven.

An Act limiting the Time within which a Writ of Mandamus may be brought to set aside a Decennial Apportionment of Representatives to the General Court.

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 sixty-nine of chapter fifty-six of the General
2 Laws is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the
3 following:— The supreme judicial court shall also have
4 jurisdiction of any petition for a writ of mandamus
5 relative to the division of a county into representative
6 districts and the apportionment of representatives thereto
7 under article XXI of the amendments of the constitution
8 or under section six of chapter fifty-seven. Every such
9 petition shall be filed in court within thirty days after
10 the filing of the report of such division and apportion-
11 ment unless the court for cause shown extends the time.

