

HOUSE No. 1577

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Nine

An Act allowing a court to appoint counsel before imposition of a jail sentence..

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. Chapter 211D as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition is hereby amended
2 by striking out section 6 subsection b paragraph ii and inserting in place thereof the following:-

3 Said division shall be assigned to represent an indigent person who is before the probate
4 and family court department or the housing court department in a contempt proceeding before
5 the court imposes upon such person a jail or prison sentence or in such other counsel proceeding
6 in said departments in which a person is entitled to be represented by counsel.