

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1643**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand Nine**  
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An Act relative to the jurisdiction of the Suffolk County Housing 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 1. Section 1 of chapter 185C of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 13 and 14 the words “and a division  
3 for the city of Boston” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- and a division for  
4 Suffolk county.

5           SECTION 2. Section 3 of said chapter 185C, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
6 striking out, in line lines 4 and 32, the words “the city of Boston” and inserting in place thereof  
7 the following words:-Suffolk county.

8           SECTION 3. Section 4 of said chapter 185C, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
9 striking out, in line 8, the words “the city of Boston” and inserting in place thereof the following  
10 words:-Suffolk county.

11           SECTION 4. Said section 4 is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 9, the  
12 words “Suffolk County courthouse” and inserting in place thereof the following words:-the  
13 Edward W. Brooke Courthouse.

14 SECTION 5. Said section 4 is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 11 the  
15 words “the city of Boston” and inserting in place thereof the following words:-Suffolk county.

16 SECTION 6. Section 8 of said chapter 185C, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
17 striking out, in lines 4 and 5, the words “city of Boston” and inserting in place thereof the  
18 following:-Suffolk county.

19 SECTION 7. Notwithstanding any general or special law or city ordinance to the  
20 contrary, whenever the words “city of Boston division of the housing court department” are used,  
21 such words shall refer to the Suffolk County division of the housing court department.