

HOUSE No. 1608

Mr. Milano of Melrose presented a petition of Percy L. Sterling (secretary of the Boston Fruit and Produce Exchange) for legislation to authorize sale and transportation of dressed poultry on the Lord's Day in certain instances. Legal Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-Eight.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE SALE AND TRANSPORTATION OF
DRESSED POULTRY ON THE LORD'S DAY IN CERTAIN
CASES.

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

1 The fourth paragraph of section six of chapter one
2 hundred and thirty-six of the General Laws, as ap-
3 pearing in section six of chapter three hundred and
4 seventy-three of the acts of nineteen hundred and
5 thirty-four, is hereby amended by inserting after
6 the word "fuel" in the fifth line the words:— ; the
7 sale at wholesale of dressed poultry, and the transpor-
8 tation of such poultry so sold, on the Lord's day next
9 preceding Thanksgiving day, and on the Lord's day
10 next preceding Christmas day except when Christmas
11 day occurs on Saturday, the Lord's day or Monday,
12 — so as to read as follows:— Nor shall it prohibit the
13 preparation, printing and publication of newspapers,

14 or the sale and delivery thereof; the wholesale or
15 retail sale and delivery of milk, or the transportation
16 thereof, or the delivery of frozen desserts and/or ice
17 cream mix, or the retail sale of ice or of fuel; the sale
18 at wholesale of dressed poultry, and the transportation
19 of such poultry so sold, on the Lord's day next pre-
20 ceding Thanksgiving day, and on the Lord's day next
21 preceding Christmas day except when Christmas day
22 occurs on Saturday, the Lord's day or Monday; the
23 making of butter and cheese; the keeping open of
24 public bath houses; the making or selling by bakers or
25 their employees, before ten o'clock in the forenoon
26 and between the hours of four o'clock and half past
27 six o'clock in the afternoon, of bread or other food
28 usually dealt in by them; whenever Rosh Hashonah,
29 or the Day of Atonement, begins on the Lord's
30 day, the retail sale and delivery of fish, fruit and
31 vegetables before twelve o'clock noon of that day;
32 the selling or delivering of kosher meat by any person
33 who, according to his religious belief, observes Saturday
34 as the Lord's day by closing his place of business
35 during the day until six o'clock in the afternoon or the
36 keeping open of his shop on the Lord's day for the
37 sale of kosher meat between the hours of six o'clock
38 and ten o'clock in the forenoon.