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To accompany the petition of J. Elmer Callahan for legislation to further regulate the operation of overnight camps. Public Health.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Six.

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AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE OPERATION OF OVER-NIGHT CAMPS.

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

1 Chapter one hundred and forty, section twenty-  
2 seven, of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
3 adding thereto, after the words "section twenty-  
4 eight" in the second line, the following words: — and  
5 every person who shall conduct, control, manage, or  
6 operate directly or indirectly, any recreational camp,  
7 overnight camp or cabin, or trailer camp, — so as to  
8 read as follows: — Every innholder, and every lodging  
9 house keeper required so to do under section twenty-  
10 eight, and every person who shall conduct, control,  
11 manage, or operate directly or indirectly, any recrea-  
12 tional camp, overnight camp or cabin, or trailer camp,  
13 shall keep or cause to be kept, in permanent form, a  
14 register in which shall be recorded the true name or  
15 name in ordinary use and the residence of every person  
16 engaging or occupying a private room averaging less

17 than four hundred square feet floor area, excepting a  
18 private dining room not containing a bed or couch, or  
19 opening into a room containing a bed or couch, for  
20 any period of the day or night in any part of the  
21 premises controlled by the licensee, together with a  
22 true and accurate record of the room assigned to  
23 such person and of the day and hour when such  
24 room is assigned. The entry of the names of the  
25 person engaging a room and of the occupants of said  
26 room shall be made by said person engaging said  
27 room or by an occupant thereof. Until the entry of  
28 such name and the record of the room has been made,  
29 such person shall not be allowed to occupy privately  
30 any room upon the licensed premises. Such register  
31 shall be retained by the holder of the license for a  
32 period of at least one year after the date of the last  
33 entry therein, and shall be open to the inspection of the  
34 licensing authorities, their agents and the police.  
35 Whoever violates any provision of this section shall  
36 be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred nor  
37 more than five hundred dollars or by imprisonment  
38 for not more than three months, or both.