
By Mr. Tamkin of Boston, petition of Alvin C. Tamkin and others that dancing to an orchestra be permitted in licensed premises on the Lord's Day. Mercantile Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PERMITTING DANCING TO AN ORCHESTRA IN LICENSED PREMISES ON THE LORD'S DAY.

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 2 of chapter 136 of the General Laws, as
2 most recently amended by section 1 of chapter 255 of
3 the acts of 1955, is hereby further amended by insert-
4 ing after the word "dancing" in line 10 the words:—
5 or except dancing to an orchestra in licensed premises
6 or being present at such dancing, —so as to read as
7 follows:— *Section 2.* Whoever on the Lord's day is
8 present at a game, sport, play or public diversion, ex-
9 cept a concert of sacred music, a public entertainment
10 duly licensed as provided in section four or a free open
11 air concert given by a town, or by license of the mayor
12 or the selectmen, upon a common or public park, street
13 or square, or except a game of golf conducted on an
14 open air golf course other than a miniature golf course,
15 so called, or except a game of tennis or dancing at a
16 wedding or celebration of a religious custom or ritual
17 if no charge is made for being present or for dancing,
18 or except dancing to an orchestra in licensed premises
19 or being present at such dancing, shall be punished by
20 a fine of not more than five dollars. Whoever on the
21 Lord's day takes part in any game, sport, play or pub-

22 lic diversion, except as aforesaid, shall be punished by
23 a fine of not more than fifty dollars. This and the fol-
24 lowing section shall not apply to amusement enter-
25 prises lawfully conducted under section four A or four B
26 or to sports or games conducted in accordance with sec-
27 tions twenty-one to twenty-five, inclusive, in any city
28 or town which accepts said sections or in accordance
29 with sections twenty-six to thirty-two, inclusive, in
30 any city or town in which said sections twenty-six to
31 thirty-two are then in force.