
By Mr. Rawson of Newton, petition of Otis M. Whitney (Commissioner of Public Safety) for requiring the payment to the State Treasurer of a percentage of the total gross receipts for televising or other means of transcription of boxing or sparring matches. Taxation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT REQUIRING THE PAYMENT TO THE STATE TREASURER OF A PERCENTAGE OF THE TOTAL GROSS RECEIPTS FOR TELEVIZING OR OTHER MEANS OF TRANSCRIPTION OF A BOXING OR SPARRING MATCH.

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 147 of the General Laws is hereby amended
2 by adding after section 40 the following section:—
3 *Section 40A.* Whoever shows by television or other
4 means of transcription a boxing or sparring match or
5 exhibition, for which admission is charged, shall pay to
6 the state treasurer a sum equal to five per cent of the
7 total gross receipts from the sale of tickets or admission
8 fees; provided, however, that said boxing or sparring
9 match or exhibition is taking place simultaneously with
10 said television broadcast or transcription. If such
11 match or exhibition is shown as an incidental feature
12 in an event or entertainment of different character, such
13 portion of the total receipts shall be paid to the common-
14 wealth as the commission may determine.

