

SENATE No. 797

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

SENATE, August 3, 1956.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom was referred the House Bill providing for the registration of food processing plants (House, No. 2889) report recommending that the same be amended by substituting therefor a new draft entitled An Act providing for the registration of persons engaged in the processing of food (Senate, No. 797) and that, when so amended, the same will be correctly drawn.

For the committee,

CHARLES J. INNES.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS
ENGAGED IN THE PROCESSING OF FOOD.

*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 94 of the General
2 Laws is hereby amended by striking out the paragraph
3 defining "Food", as amended by section 9 of chapter 334
4 of the acts of 1949, and inserting in place thereof the fol-
5 lowing paragraph: —

6 "Food", in sections one hundred and eighteen to one
7 hundred and fifty-one, inclusive, one hundred and fifty-
8 four to one hundred and fifty-six, inclusive, one hundred
9 and eighty-one, one hundred and eighty-six to one hun-
10 dred and ninety-six, inclusive, and three hundred and
11 five C, includes all articles, whether simple, mixed or
12 compound, used for food or drink, confectionery or con-
13 diment, by man or animal.

1 SECTION 2. Said chapter 94 is hereby further amended
2 by inserting after section 305B the following section: —

3 *Section 305C.* No person engaged in the business of
4 processing food for sale shall prepare, manufacture, pack,
5 can, bottle, keep, expose, store, handle or distribute food
6 without having obtained a certificate of registration from
7 the department of public health. Said certificate of
8 registration shall be valid so long as such person is
9 engaged in said business, and said person shall notify the
10 department upon the termination of his business. Said
11 certificate of registration shall apply to one place of
12 business only. The department shall send a copy of such
13 registration to the board of health of the city or town in

14 which said place of business is located. No person shall
15 transport or cause to be transported into the common-
16 wealth any bakery product for the purpose of sale without
17 being registered as herein provided. The department
18 may make such rules and regulations as may be necessary
19 for the enforcement of this section.

20 This section shall not apply to any person who is a
21 licensed common victualler, purveyor of fresh fruits and
22 vegetables, a farmer who produces and sells raw farm
23 products, including eggs, persons licensed under sections
24 ten B, forty, forty-eight A, fifty-three, sixty-five H,
25 sixty-six, one hundred and eighteen, one hundred and
26 thirty-nine A of this chapter or licensed under chapter
27 one hundred and thirty-eight, nor to any person who
28 operates an establishment under the inspection of the
29 meat inspection division of the bureau of animal industry
30 of the United States department of agriculture, nor to
31 retailers as defined in paragraph (f) of section fourteen E
32 of chapter ninety-three.

33 Whoever violates any provision of this section shall be
34 punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five nor more
35 than two hundred dollars.

