

# SENATE . . . . No. 139

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To accompany the petition of Arthur L. Race for legislation relative to the sale of alcoholic beverages in certain hotels in certain towns. Legal Affairs.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

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An Act relative to the Sale in Certain Hotels in Certain Towns of Alcoholic Beverages.

*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 thirty-eight of the Gen-  
2 eral Laws is hereby amended by inserting after sec-  
3 tion twelve, as most recently amended by section  
4 one of chapter four hundred and sixty-eight of the  
5 acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirty-five,  
6 the following two new sections:—

7 *Section 12A.* In any town which accepts or re-  
8 accepts this section at an annual or special town  
9 meeting the local licensing authorities, irrespective of  
10 any vote of said town under section eleven, may  
11 grant, under section twelve, to licensed innholders  
12 maintaining hotels having, as finally determined by  
13 said authorities, twenty or more rooms available for  
14 the accommodation of guests, seasonal licenses for the  
15 sale of all alcoholic beverages, exercisable during such

16 times and subject to such terms and conditions as  
17 said authorities may prescribe.

18 *Section 12B.* A town which has accepted section  
19 twelve A may vote on the question of revoking its  
20 acceptance at any annual or special town meeting if a  
21 petition to that effect, signed by not less than ten per  
22 centum of the registered voters is filed with the town  
23 clerk not less than thirty days before the meeting.  
24 If, upon such resubmission, a majority of the voters  
25 vote in favor of such revocation, section twelve A  
26 shall cease to be in effect in said town until reaccepted  
27 as provided therein; provided, that a vote on the  
28 acceptance or revocation of such section shall occur  
29 not oftener than once in four years.