

# SENATE . . . . No. 158

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To accompany the petition of Philip J. Murphy and others that movers of household furniture be required to make return of removals to city or town clerks. Legal Affairs.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-Two.

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### AN ACT

To require Movers of Household Furniture to make Returns of Removals to City or Town Clerks.

*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. Every person, firm or corporation  
2 engaged in the business of moving or transferring  
3 household furniture or other personal effects of  
4 parties removing their place of abode or residence  
5 from house to house, shall make a report thereof  
6 to the clerk in the city or town from which said  
7 furniture or effects shall have been removed,  
8 such report to be furnished to the city or town  
9 clerk on blanks which shall be furnished free by  
10 the said city or town clerk.

11 Each removal shall be separately recorded on  
12 a blank, which shall be properly filled out by the  
13 person engaged in such business of moving, and

14 each blank shall contain the name of the owner  
15 or person in possession of or having the custody  
16 of the said articles, the addresses from which and  
17 to which said moving or hauling is done, the date  
18 thereof and the general character of the goods,  
19 whether household furniture or otherwise, and  
20 the names of the owners and the person in charge  
21 of such vehicle. Such blank shall be furnished  
22 to the clerk of the city or town from which said  
23 articles are moved not later than five days after  
24 such removal.

1 SECTION 2. It shall be the duty of the city or  
2 town clerk to furnish blanks required by section  
3 one of this act, and to properly keep and file said  
4 reports for the inspection of the public, indexed  
5 under the name of owner or person in custody of  
6 the articles moved.

1 SECTION 3. It shall be unlawful for any person,  
2 firm or corporation to give a fictitious name, or to  
3 deceive the owner or operator of any vehicle  
4 hauling household goods, furniture or other per-  
5 sonal effects, or to refuse to give the information  
6 required by section one of this act.

1 SECTION 4. Any person, firm or corporation  
2 violating any of the provisions of this act shall  
3 be fined not less than five dollars nor more than  
4 fifty dollars for each offence.