

# HOUSE . . . . No. 1009

By Mr. Curtis of Boston, petition of Laurence Curtis relative to licensing the sale of alcoholic beverages and to forms of referendum questions to be submitted biennially to the voters. Legal Affairs.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act changing the Form of Referendum Questions to be Placed in the Official Ballot used in the Cities and Towns at Each Biennial State Election.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 That chapter three hundred and seventy-six of the  
2 acts of nineteen hundred and thirty-three be amended  
3 by striking out section eleven and inserting in place  
4 thereof the following section:—

5 *Section 11.* The state secretary shall cause to be  
6 placed on the official ballot used in the cities and towns  
7 at each biennial state election the following questions:

8 1. Shall licenses be granted in this city  
9 (or town) for the sale therein of wines and  
10 malt beverages?

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| YES. |  |
| NO.  |  |

11 2. Shall licenses be granted in this city  
12 (or town) for the sale therein of wines and  
13 malt beverages, and for the sale of hard  
14 liquors in packages?

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| YES. |  |
| NO.  |  |

15 3. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town)  
 16 for the sale therein of wines and malt  
 17 beverages, and for the sale of hard  
 18 liquors both in packages and for con-  
 19 sumption on the premises?

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| <b>YES.</b> |  |
| <b>NO.</b>  |  |

20 The following directions shall also be placed on said  
 21 ballot immediately above the foregoing questions:—

22 To obtain a full expression of opinion voters should  
 23 vote on all three questions, as if a person votes on one  
 24 question only and that question fails to carry as de-  
 25 sired by the voter, his vote will not be recorded on the  
 26 other questions.

27 Such city or town shall be taken to have authorized  
 28 for the two calendar years next succeeding such pro-  
 29 vision as to the sale of alcoholic beverages as was  
 30 indicated by the vote taken pursuant to the foregoing  
 31 provisions. If a majority votes in favor of any  
 32 question that question shall be deemed carried irre-  
 33 spective of the vote on any other question.