

SENATE No. 628

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

SENATE, June 26, 1919.

The committee on Legal Affairs, to which was referred the report of the Joint Special Recess Committee appointed to continue the Investigation of the Fish Industry in this Commonwealth (House, No. 1725), reports in part the accompanying Bill (Senate, No. 628).

For the committee,

JOHN J. WALSH.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Nineteen.

AN ACT

Relative to Maintaining or Increasing Unreasonably
the Price of any Necessary of Life.

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

1 Maintaining or increasing unreasonably the
2 price of any necessary of life is hereby declared to
3 be a crime. Whoever, in combination or associa-
4 tion with another or others, enters into any agree-
5 ment or understanding to maintain or increase or
6 cause to be maintained or increased unreasonably
7 the price of any necessary of life shall be deemed
8 guilty of conspiracy, and upon conviction thereof
9 shall be punished by imprisonment in the house of
10 correction for a term of not more than two years,
11 or by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars,
12 or by both such fine and imprisonment.