

HOUSE No. 826

By Mr. Donovan of Chelsea (by request), petition of Martin B. Butler relative to a penalty for possession by a landlord of a key to his tenant's residence. Commerce and Labor.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR POSSESSION BY A LANDLORD OF A KEY TO HIS TENANT'S RESIDENCE.

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 266 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
- 2 inserting after section 81 the following section:—
- 3 *Section 81A.* A landlord of residential property who possesses
- 4 a key to the same without the written permission of the tenant of
- 5 said property shall be punished by a fine of not more than one
- 6 hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than one year.

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of the House of Representatives
of the United States of America

in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty
and of our Independence the hundred and thirty-fifth

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