

HOUSE No. 204

Bill accompanying the fifth recommendation of the State Department of Health (see House, No. 199). Public Health. January 12.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty.

AN ACT

Relative to the Use of Methyl Alcohol.

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 one of chapter five hundred and forty-one of
2 the acts of nineteen hundred and ten is hereby amended
3 by adding after the words "which contains any methyl
4 alcohol" the words:— or any drug or medicine intended
5 for external use which contains any methyl alcohol,—
6 so as to read as follows:— *Section 1.* Whoever, himself,
7 or by his servant or agent, or as the servant or agent of
8 any other person sells, exchanges or delivers any wood
9 alcohol, otherwise known as methyl alcohol either crude
10 or refined, or denatured alcohol which contains any
11 methyl alcohol, or any drug or medicine intended for
12 external use which contains any methyl alcohol, under or
13 by whatever name or trade mark the same may be called
14 or known, shall affix to the bottle or vessel containing the

15 same a label bearing the words, "Poison, Not for In-
16 ternal Use", in red letters of uncondensed Gothic
17 type not less than one fourth of an inch in height, and
18 the same words, "Poison, Not for Internal Use", in sten-
19 cilled letters or similar Gothic type of a size not less than
20 three fourths nor more than one and one half inches in
21 height for use on barrels and kegs. Whoever violates
22 any provision of this section shall pay a fine of not less
23 than fifty nor more than two hundred dollars for each
24 sale in respect to which the violation occurs.

