

HOUSE No. 1477

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 24, 1923.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom was referred the bill to permit the sale of vegetable sausages (House, No. 1296), report recommending that the same be amended by the substitution of the accompanying bill.

For the committee,

PRINCE H. TIRRELL.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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

AN ACT

Permitting the Sale of Vegetable Sausages.

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. Section one hundred and forty-two of
2 chapter ninety-four of the General Laws is hereby
3 amended by inserting after the word "cent" in the fourth
4 line the words:—, except as authorized by section one
5 hundred and forty-three A, — so as to read as follows:—
6 *Section 142.* For the purposes of this and the following
7 section, sausage or sausage meat shall be deemed to be
8 adulterated:

9 First. If it contains any cereal or vegetable flour or
10 any product thereof in excess of two per cent, except as
11 authorized by section one hundred and forty-three A;

12 Second. If it contains any coloring matter, or any
13 substance injurious or deleterious to health;

14 Third. If it contains water in excess of an amount
15 sufficient to make the product palatable and to facilitate
16 mixing and placing in casings;

17 Fourth. If it contains, except as casing, the organs of
18 the thoracic and abdominal cavities or any part thereof,
19 except hearts, tripe and liver;

20 Fifth. If it contains any diseased, contaminated, filthy
21 or decomposed substance; or if it is manufactured, in

22 whole or in part from, or contains a substance produced,
23 stored, transported or kept in a way or manner that
24 would render the article diseased, contaminated or un-
25 wholesome; or if it is the product of a diseased animal
26 or the product of any animal which has died otherwise
27 than by slaughter.

1 SECTION 2. Said chapter ninety-four is hereby further
2 amended by inserting after section one hundred and forty-
3 three the following new section:—

4 *Section 143A.* Nothing in this chapter shall prevent
5 the sale or the offering or exposing for sale of vegetable
6 sausages as such, if such sausages contain not less than
7 forty per cent of vegetables or vegetable products and are
8 otherwise made in conformity with the provisions of this
9 chapter; provided, that such sausages are sold, offered or
10 exposed for sale under their own distinctive name.

