
By Mr. Crockwell of Medford, petition of Daniel P. Leahy for legislation to permit certain sports and games on the Lord's Day under public regulation and control. Legal Affairs. Jan. 16, 1924.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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

An Act to permit under Public Regulation and Control
Certain Sports and Games on the Lord's Day.

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 twenty-one of chapter one
2 hundred and thirty-six of the General Laws is here-
3 by amended by striking out in the fifth, sixth, and
4 seventh lines the words " in which the contestants
5 do not receive and have not been promised any pe-
6 cuniary reward, remuneration or consideration
7 whatsoever, directly or indirectly, in connection
8 therewith ",— so that the section will read as fol-
9 lows:— *Section 21.* In any city or town which ac-
10 cepts sections twenty-one to twenty-eight inclusive
11 in the manner provided in section twenty-six, or has
12 accepted corresponding provisions of earlier laws
13 in the manner provided therein, it shall be lawful
14 to take part in or witness any athletic outdoor sport
15 or game on the Lord's day between the hours of
16 two and six in the afternoon as hereinafter pro-
17 vided.

1 SECTION 2. Section twenty-four of said chapter
2 one hundred and thirty-six is hereby amended by
3 striking out said section twenty-four and inserting
4 in place thereof the following:— *Section 24.* No
5 admission fee shall be charged and no business or
6 other enterprise shall be conducted, but voluntary
7 contributions for the purpose of defraying neces-
8 sary expenses incurred in connection with the hold-
9 ing of such sport or game may be permitted.