

# HOUSE . . . . No. 1091

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By Messrs. Dolan of Boston and Minihan of Haverhill, petition of Chester A. Dolan, Jr., and Daniel J. Minihan for legislation to provide for the licensing by the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation of what are commonly known as chain stores. Taxation.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-Eight.

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AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE LICENSING OF CHAIN STORES.

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

1 Every person, partnership, corporation, or individ-  
2 ual having an interest in three or more stores doing  
3 business in the commonwealth shall be classified as  
4 chain stores, the said stores, either co-operative or  
5 independent, having for sale groceries, foodstuffs,  
6 meats, fish, cigars or cigarettes, or any other com-  
7 modities, shall pay fees as hereinafter provided to the  
8 commissioner of corporations and taxation. The said  
9 commissioner of corporations and taxation shall  
10 collect a license fee of two hundred dollars on the  
11 second store and each additional store. Said fees  
12 shall be paid into the state treasury and shall be dis-  
13 tributed to the city and town where the stores are  
14 located.

