

SENATE No. 224

To accompany the petition of Philip G. Bowker for legislation to provide a penalty for false or misleading advertising relating to housing and for charging a registration fee to prospective tenants. Mercantile Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-Two.

AN ACT PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR FALSE OR MISLEADING ADVERTISING RELATING TO HOUSING AND FOR CHARGING A REGISTRATION FEE TO PROSPECTIVE TENANTS.

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
2 by inserting after section 91, as appearing in the Ter-
3 centenary Edition, the following section:—

4 *Section 91A.* No person shall advertise in any man-
5 ner whatever any dwelling unit for rental, nor charge
6 any registration fee in connection therewith, unless he
7 shall produce upon demand written authority from the
8 owner of such dwelling for such advertisement or
9 charge. Whoever violates the provisions of this sec-
10 tion shall be punished as provided in section ninety-
11 one.

IN SENATE,
January 12, 1892.

REPORT OF THE

COMMISSIONERS OF THE LAND OFFICE,
IN ANSWER TO A RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE SENATE,
MAY 15, 1891.

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