

HOUSE No. 178.

[Bill accompanying the petition of F. B. Wilson and another for legislation to amend the law relative to textile fabrics and paper containing arsenic. Public Health. January 18.]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and One.

AN ACT

Relative to the Manufacture and Sale of Textile
Fabrics and Papers containing Arsenic.

*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 of chapter three hun-
2 dred and twenty-five of the acts of the year nine-
3 teen hundred is hereby amended by inserting after
4 the word "to," in the ninth line thereof, the
5 words: — articles intended for the destruction of
6 insects, having the word "poison" plainly printed
7 in uncondensed gothic type not less than one inch
8 high on both sides of each sheet and square foot

9 of the fabric, nor to, — so as to read as follows : —
10 *Section 1.* — Any corporation, person, firm or
11 agent who directly or by an agent manufactures,
12 sells, exchanges, or has in his custody or posses-
13 sion with intent to sell or exchange, any woven
14 fabric or paper containing arsenic in any form, or
15 any article of dress or of household use composed
16 wholly or in part of such woven fabric or paper,
17 shall on conviction thereof be punished by fine of
18 not less than fifty nor more than two hundred
19 dollars: *provided, however,* that this section shall
20 not apply to articles intended for the destruction
21 of insects, having the word “poison” plainly
22 printed in uncondensed gothic type not less than
23 one inch high on both sides of each sheet and
24 square foot of the fabric, nor to dress goods or
25 articles of dress containing not more than one one
26 hundredth grain, or to other materials or articles
27 containing not more than one tenth grain of
28 arsenic per square yard of the material.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its
2 passage.