

HOUSE No. 523.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Jan. 31, 1901.

[Introduced on leave by Mr. Hunt of Weymouth. Public Health].

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and One.

AN ACT

Relative to the Adulteration of Food.

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 three of chapter two hun-
2 dred and eight of the Public Statutes is hereby
3 amended by inserting in the second line of said
4 section, after the word "food," the words:— or
5 any article or compound which enters into the
6 composition of, or is used in the preparation of
7 food, with any of the salts of copper, salts of
8 aluminum, salts of zinc, formaldehyde, salicylic
9 acid, sulphuric acid, ammonia, or any of the sub-
10 stances which, under the provisions of section
11 four of chapter two hundred and eight of the
12 Public Statutes are forbidden to be used in adul-

13 terating any liquor used or intended for drink or;
14 and by inserting in the fifth line of said section
15 three, after the word "food," the words: — or
16 intended to be used in the preparation of food;
17 and also by inserting in the fifth line of said sec-
18 tion three, after the word "been," the word: —
19 so; and by striking out in the fifth and sixth lines
20 of said section three, the words "with any sub-
21 stance injurious to health," — so as to read as
22 follows: —

23 *Section 3.* Whoever fraudulently adulterates,
24 for the purpose of sale, bread or any other sub-
25 stance intended for food, or any article or com-
26 pound which enters into the composition of, or is
27 used in the preparation of food, with any of the
28 salts of copper, salts of aluminum, salts of zinc,
29 formaldehyde, salicylic acid, sulphuric acid, am-
30 monia, or any of the substances which, under the
31 provisions of section four of chapter two hundred
32 and eight of the Public Statutes are forbidden to
33 be used in adulterating any liquor used or in-
34 tended for drink or with any substance injurious
35 to health, or knowingly barter, gives away, sells
36 or has in possession with intent to sell any sub-
37 stance intended for food, or intended to be used
38 in the preparation of food, which has been so
39 adulterated, shall be punished by imprisonment in
40 the jail not exceeding one year, or by fine not
41 exceeding three hundred dollars; and the articles
42 so adulterated shall be forfeited and destroyed
43 under the direction of the court.