

HOUSE No. 960.

[Bill accompanying the petition of Walter D. Ross for legislation to permit greater variance in the size of bottles or jars used for the distribution of milk. Agriculture. Feb. 5.]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Three.

AN ACT

Relative to the Size of Bottles or Jars used for the
Distribution of Milk.

*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 forty-three of chapter
2 sixty-two of the Revised Laws is hereby amended
3 by striking out the word "thirty-two," in the
4 seventh line, and inserting in place thereof the
5 word:—thirty-three; by striking out the word
6 "forty-eight," in the eighth line, and inserting in
7 place thereof the word:—forty-nine; and by

8 striking out the word "sixty-four," in the tenth
9 line, and inserting in place thereof the word:—
10 sixty-five, — so as to read as follows: —

11 *Section 43.* Glass bottles or jars which are
12 used for the distribution of milk or cream to con-
13 sumers, and which hold, when filled to a level with
14 the bottom of the cap or stopple, not less than
15 seven ounces and six drams and not over eight
16 ounces and two drams, not less than fifteen
17 ounces and five drams and not over sixteen ounces
18 and four drams, not less than thirty-one ounces and
19 four drams and not over thirty-three ounces and
20 four drams, not less than forty-seven ounces
21 and three drams and not over forty-nine ounces
22 and five drams, not less than sixty-three
23 ounces and two drams and not over sixty-five
24 ounces and six drams, shall be sealed as measures
25 under the provisions of section twenty-one. All
26 dealers in milk or cream, who use glass bottles or
27 jars for the distribution of milk or cream to con-
28 sumers, shall bring in such bottles or jars to the
29 office of the sealer of weights and measures in
30 their respective cities and towns to be sealed as
31 aforesaid; but no fee shall be charged or received
32 for sealing them. If a bottle or jar has once been
33 sealed by the sealer of weights and measures it
34 shall not in any case be necessary to have it sealed
35 again at any time while it is used for the distribu-
36 tion of milk or cream to consumers. Glass bottles
37 or jars sealed under the provisions of this section
38 shall not be legal measures except for the distribu-
39 tion of milk or cream to consumers.

1 SECTION 2. Bottles, jars or other receptacles
2 which are found not to comply with the require-
3 ments of said section forty-three shall not be
4 marked or defaced by the sealers or their deputies,
5 but shall be returned intact to the owners of the
6 same.

1 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its
2 passage.

