

HOUSE No. 543.

Bill accompanying the petition of W. E. Fuller and others for legislation to prohibit the use of trading stamps and other like devices. Joint Judiciary. January 29.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Four.

AN ACT

To prohibit the Sale or Distribution of Trading Stamps,
Checks, Coupons or Similar Devices.

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. No person, firm or corporation shall, in
2 connection with the sale of any article or any merchan-
3 dise whatsoever, sell, give or deliver any trading stamps,
4 checks, coupons or similar devices entitling the purchaser
5 to demand or receive from a person or company other
6 than the seller or the manufacturer of the article, any
7 other property than that actually sold, whether or not
8 the nature and value of the said property are agreed upon
9 at the time of the sale; and no person, firm or corpora-
10 tion shall deliver any property upon the presentation of

11 such stamps, checks, coupons or other devices sold, given
12 or delivered as aforesaid.

1 SECTION 2. Whoever violates any provision of this
2 act shall for each offense pay a fine of not less than ten
3 nor more than fifty dollars.

1 SECTION 3. Chapter three hundred and eighty-six of
2 the acts of the year nineteen hundred and three is hereby
3 repealed.

1 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect on the first day
2 of June in the year nineteen hundred and four.