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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Jan. 10, 1905.

Introduced on leave by Mr. Poland of Wakefield. Probate and Chancery.

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## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Five.

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### AN ACT

To make every Saturday from 12 O'clock, Noon, to 12 O'clock, Midnight, a Legal Half Holiday.

*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. Every Saturday from twelve o'clock at  
2 noon until twelve o'clock at midnight shall be a legal  
3 half holiday.

1 SECTION 2. All provisions of existing laws relative  
2 to legal holidays shall apply to the said half holiday ex-  
3 cepting sections seventeen and forty-one of chapter one  
4 hundred of the Revised Laws: *provided*, that all bills  
5 of exchange, bank checks and promissory notes made  
6 after the passage of this act which otherwise would be

7 presentable for acceptance or payment upon any Satur-  
8 day that is not, by reason of existing laws, a whole  
9 holiday, shall be deemed to be payable and to be pre-  
10 sentable for acceptance or payment at or before twelve  
11 o'clock noon of that day: *provided, however, that for*  
12 *the purpose of protesting, or otherwise holding liable*  
13 *any party to any such bill of exchange, check or prom-*  
14 *issory note which shall not have been paid before twelve*  
15 *o'clock at noon on any Saturday, a demand of accept-*  
16 *ance or payment thereof may be made and notice of*  
17 *protest or dishonor thereof may be given on the next*  
18 *succeeding secular or business day; and provided, fur-*  
19 *ther, that in construing this section, every Saturday,*  
20 *unless a whole holiday, as aforesaid, shall, until twelve*  
21 *o'clock noon, be deemed a secular or business day.*

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