

HOUSE No. 266.

Bill accompanying the petition of Burton R. Miller and others for legislation to provide that certain varieties of motor boats shall be made to exhaust under water. Legal Affairs. January 15.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eight.

AN ACT

Relative to the Use of Explosive Engines in Boats.

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. All boats propelled by explosive engines
2 and used on any salt or fresh waters within this Common-
3 wealth shall be provided with an underwater exhaust,
4 and such exhaust shall be so constructed and used as to
5 muffle the noise of the explosion in a reasonable manner,
6 and no such boat shall be used so as to exhaust except
7 through such underwater exhaust.

1 SECTION 2. The chief of the district police may adopt
2 from time to time such general rules or specifications,

3 and may order such specific changes in any such boat,
4 as he may think proper, to make such boats or boat con-
5 form to this law.

1 SECTION 3. The owner and the user of any such boat
2 which does not comply with this law and the owner and
3 user of any such boat who does not comply with any
4 general rule or specification adopted by the chief of the
5 district police, or who does not comply with any specific
6 change ordered by him, shall each be liable to a fine of
7 not exceeding twenty-five dollars.