

SENATE No. 284

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

SENATE, April 1, 1909.

The committee on the Liquor Law, to which was referred the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 156) of William Turtle that the number of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor in certain cities and towns be limited to one for each twelve hundred inhabitants, reports the accompanying bill.

For the committee,

CHAS. D. B. FISK.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Nine.

AN ACT

To limit the Number of Liquor Licenses.

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. Except in Boston and in towns hav-
2 ing less than five thousand permanent residents
3 according to the last preceding state or national
4 census but having an increased resident population
5 during the summer months, the number of places
6 licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors in
7 cities and towns which vote to authorize the grant-
8 ing of such licenses shall not exceed one for each
9 twelve hundred of the population as ascertained
10 by the last preceding national or state census, but
11 one such place may be licensed in any town hav-
12 ing a population of less than twelve hundred: *pro-*
13 *vided, however,* that in cities and towns which at
14 the last municipal election therein preceding the
15 passage of this act voted to authorize the sale of
16 intoxicating liquors in such city or town during
17 the year following such election, the number of

18 licenses granted according to the provisions of law
19 now existing for such sale shall not be diminished
20 by reason of the provisions of this act.

1 SECTION 2. So much of section thirteen of chap-
2 ter one hundred of the Revised Laws as is incon-
3 sistent herewith, is hereby repealed.

