HOUSE . . . No. 195

By Mr. Francis X. Coyne of Boston, petition of Francis X. Coyne that use of fictitious or assumed names be prohibited in business establishments and partnerships and by officers and directors of corporations. Mercantile Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Wassachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-Nine.

An Act prohibiting the use of fictitious or assumed names by persons owning a business or serving as members of partnerships or as officers or directors of corporations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Chapter two hundred and seventy-one of the Gen-
- 2 eral Laws is hereby amended by adding at the end
- 3 thereof the following new section: —
- 4 Section 43. No person shall be the owner of any
- 5 business or serve as the member of any partnership
- 6 or as an officer or director of any corporation under
- 7 any name other than his legal name. Whoever vio-
- 8 lates any provision of this section shall be punished
- 9 by a fine of one thousand dollars or by imprison-
- 10 ment for not less than six months, or both.