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By Mr. Peck of Dartmouth, petition of Arthur E. Maille and others for legislation to regulate further the granting of licenses to sell alcoholic beverages. Legal Affairs.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Seven.

### AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE GRANTING OF LICENSES TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.

*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 138 of the General Laws is hereby amended by in-  
2 serting after section 17 the following section:—

3 *Section 17A.* All seasonal licenses for the sale of all alcoholic  
4 beverages not to be drunk on the premises granted by the local  
5 licensing authorities of any city or town, except the city of  
6 Boston, under section seventeen to holders of licenses for the sale  
7 of wines and malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises  
8 under section fifteen, shall upon the effective date of this act and  
9 regardless of the limitations set forth in section seventeen as to  
10 population, to be considered as having been granted under the  
11 provisions of said section fifteen; provided, however, that any  
12 such holder may elect to continue as a seasonal licensee under said  
13 section seventeen.

**The Government of Massachusetts**

The first section of the constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts provides that the legislative power shall be vested in a Senate and House of Representatives. The Senate shall be composed of six members, and the House of Representatives shall be composed of not more than thirty members, who shall be chosen by the people of the several counties. The members of the Senate shall hold office for two years, and the members of the House of Representatives shall hold office for one year. The Governor and Council shall have the power to call the Senate and House of Representatives into extraordinary session, and to adjourn them from time to time. The Governor and Council shall also have the power to suspend any member of the Senate or House of Representatives for disorderly conduct, and to expel any member who has been guilty of treason, bribery, or other high crimes and misdemeanors. The Governor and Council shall also have the power to pardon and remit any punishment inflicted by the courts of law, and to grant reprieves and commutations of sentence. The Governor and Council shall also have the power to grant pardons and commutations of sentence to any person who has been convicted of any crime, and to grant reprieves and commutations of sentence to any person who has been sentenced to any term of imprisonment. The Governor and Council shall also have the power to grant pardons and commutations of sentence to any person who has been sentenced to any term of imprisonment, and to grant reprieves and commutations of sentence to any person who has been sentenced to any term of imprisonment.