

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE PENALTY FOR POULTRY THIEVING. *Chap. 30*
Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Chapter 266 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 22, as amended by chapter 365 of the acts of 1935, and inserting in place thereof the following section: — *Section 22.* Whoever, with intent to commit larceny, breaks or enters or enters in the night without breaking any building or enclosure wherein is kept or confined any kind of live poultry, may be detained or kept in custody in a convenient place by the owner of the poultry, or by his agent or employee, for not more than twenty-four hours, Sunday excepted, until a complaint can be made against him for the offence and he be taken upon a warrant issued upon such complaint, and, upon conviction of such trespassing or breaking or entering shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than three years, or by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars and imprisonment in the house of correction for not more than two years.

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 266, § 22, etc., amended.

Penalty for poultry thieving.

Approved January 27, 1950.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO VOTING PRECINCTS AND THE NOMINATION, ELECTION AND TERMS OF OFFICE OF TOWN MEETING MEMBERS IN THE TOWN OF NEEDHAM. *Chap. 31*

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 279 of the acts of 1932, as amended by chapter 68 of the acts of 1937, is hereby further amended by striking out section 1A and inserting in place thereof the following section: — *Section 1A.* Upon the acceptance of this act by the town of Needham as hereinafter provided, the selectmen shall, before December thirty-first of the year of acceptance, divide the territory thereof into not less than five nor more than ten voting precincts, each of which shall be plainly designated, and shall contain not less than five hundred registered voters. All precincts shall contain approximately an equal number of registered voters.

The precincts shall be so established as to consist of compact and contiguous territory, to be bounded, as far as possible, by the center line of known streets and ways or by other well defined limits. Their boundaries shall be reviewed and, if need be, wholly or partly revised by the selectmen in December, once in five years, or in December of any year when so directed by a vote of a representative town meeting not later than November thirtieth of that year.

The selectmen shall, within twenty days after any establishment or revision of the precincts, but not later than January twentieth of the succeeding year, file a report of their doings with the town clerk, the registrars of voters and the assessors with a map or maps or description of the precincts and the names and residences of the registered voters therein. The selectmen shall also cause to be posted at the town hall