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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 2, 1921.

The committee on Mercantile Affairs, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1039) of M. J. Maher for legislation to regulate the sale of articles in containers, report the accompanying bill.

For the committee,

GEORGE H. DALE.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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

### AN ACT

To regulate the Sale of Certain Articles and the Containers  
in which They may be Sold.

*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 twenty-two of chapter ninety-eight of the  
2 General Laws is hereby amended by striking out in the  
3 second line the words, "of ice cream by measure," and  
4 inserting in place thereof the words: — "by measure of  
5 viscous or semi-solid commodities or mixtures of solids  
6 and liquids"; and by striking out in the ninth to twelfth  
7 lines inclusive the words, "together with the words,  
8 'approved by the director of standards for Massachu-  
9 setts' and such cartons or containers shall be legal meas-  
10 ures only for the commodity specified upon it, and shall  
11 be exempt from the laws requiring the sealing of meas-  
12 ures", and inserting in place thereof the words: — "and  
13 with the words, 'approved by the director of standards  
14 for Massachusetts', together with such other marking as  
15 the director may require. Such cartons or containers  
16 shall be legal measure only for such commodities as may  
17 be designated by the director of standards and shall be  
18 exempt from the laws requiring the sealing of meas-

19 ures", so as to read as follows:— *Section 22.* Paper,  
20 or fibre cartons, or other containers, which are used for  
21 the sale by measure of viscous or semi-solid commodities  
22 or mixtures of solids and liquids, shall contain and shall  
23 be sold as containing one quart, one pint, one half pint,  
24 or one gill, Massachusetts standard liquid measure.  
25 Such cartons or containers shall be of such shape and  
26 dimension as may be approved by the director. When-  
27 ever the shape and dimensions of any such carton or  
28 container have been so approved, the director may au-  
29 thorize the manufacturer to have printed thereon a  
30 statement of its capacity in terms of Massachusetts  
31 standard liquid measure and with the words, "approved by  
32 the director of standards for Massachusetts", together  
33 with such other marking as the director may require.  
34 Such cartons or containers shall be legal measure only for  
35 such commodities as may be designated by the director  
36 of standards and shall be exempt from the laws requiring  
37 the sealing of measures.

The first part of the report is devoted to a general description of the country, and to a statement of the general character of the soil. The second part is devoted to a description of the principal crops, and to a statement of the general character of the soil. The third part is devoted to a description of the principal occupations, and to a statement of the general character of the soil. The fourth part is devoted to a description of the principal occupations, and to a statement of the general character of the soil.