

By Mr. Cox of Lowell, petition of John F. Cox for legislation to further regulate the sale and resale of tickets to theatrical exhibitions and public amusements. Government Regulations.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Four.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE RESELLING OF TICKETS.

*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. Section one hundred and eighty-five D of  
2 chapter one hundred and forty of the General Laws is hereby  
3 amended in line fifteen by adding after the word "thereto." the  
4 following sentence: —

5 Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, the total resale price,  
6 excluding service charges, for any ticket or other evidence of right  
7 of entry, including the original purchase price, profit and fees shall  
8 not exceed one hundred and ten percent of the original purchase  
9 price of said ticket or other evidence of right of entry. Service  
10 charges shall not include charges for tickets purchased from  
11 persons other than the licensee who procured said tickets through  
12 an electronic machine.

1 SECTION 2. Section one hundred and eight-five A of said  
2 chapter one hundred and forty is hereby amended in line 20 after  
3 the word "section" by adding the following sentence: —

4 No person engaged in the business of reselling tickets of  
5 admission or other evidence of right of entry to any theatrical  
6 exhibition, public amusement or exhibition shall procure tickets  
7 from any other person who purchased said tickets from an  
8 electronic machine.

1 SECTION 3. Said section of said chapter is hereby further  
2 amended by adding after the word "otherwise." in line 26 the  
3 following: —

4 Any person who offers to sell, contract with, distribute, or  
5 otherwise make available to a person licensed pursuant to this  
6 section, any ticket or tickets of admission or other evidence of  
7 the right of entry to any theatrical exhibition, public show or  
8 public amusement or exhibition shall sell, contract with, distribute  
9 or otherwise make available said tickets or other evidence of right  
10 of entry to no fewer than two such licensees; provided that said  
11 tickets or other evidence of right of entry shall be provided to said  
12 licensees in like manner, time, quantity, and terms.

13 The refusal of any person to sell tickets of admission or other  
14 evidence of right of entry to any theatrical exhibition, public show  
15 or public amusement or exhibition to more than one person  
16 licensed under this section of this chapter shall be deemed a  
17 violation of section six of chapter ninety-three.