

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE ADMISSIBILITY IN EVIDENCE OF  
CERTAIN WRITTEN STATEMENTS. Chap.242

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

Section 23A of chapter 233 of the General Laws, inserted by section 1 of chapter 424 of the acts of 1945, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "attorney", in line 14, the words: — , or within such further time as the court may allow on motion and notice, — so as to read as follows: —

*Section 23A.* In any action to recover damages for personal injuries or consequential damages, so called, resulting therefrom, no statement in writing signed by any party to the action, concerning the facts out of which the cause of action arose, given by such party, or a person in his behalf, to any other party to the action, or to his agent or attorney, or to the insurer of such other party, or to the agent or attorney of such insurer, shall be admissible in evidence in, or referred to at, the trial of such action or in any proceeding connected therewith unless a copy of such statement is furnished to the party making the same or to his attorney within ten days after written request therefor made by such party or attorney to the adverse party or his attorney, or within such further time as the court may allow on motion and notice.

*Approved April 9, 1953.*

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 233, § 23A, etc., amended.

Admissibility of certain written statements.

Motion, notice, etc.

AN ACT PROVIDING THAT THE GAME COMMONLY KNOWN AS  
SKILO, AND SIMILAR GAMES, CONSTITUTE LOTTERIES. Chap.243

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

Chapter 271 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 6A, inserted by chapter 144 of the acts of 1938, the following section: — *Section 6B.* Whoever sets up or promotes the game commonly known as skilo or any similar game regardless of name, shall be held to have set up and promoted a lottery and shall be punished as provided in section seven.

*Approved April 10, 1953.*

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 271, new § 6B, added.  
Skilo, etc., to constitute lotteries.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, STATE HOUSE,  
BOSTON, April 10, 1953.

Honorable EDWARD J. CRONIN, *Secretary of the Commonwealth,*  
*State House, Boston, Massachusetts.*

SIR: — I, Christian A. Herter, by virtue of and in accordance with the provisions of the Forty-eighth Amendment to the Constitution, "The Referendum II, Emergency Measures," do declare that in my opinion, the immediate preservation of the public convenience requires that the law passed on the tenth day of April in the year nineteen hundred and fifty-three, being Chapter 243 of the Acts of 1953 entitled, "An Act providing that the Game commonly known as Skilo, and similar Games, constitute Lotteries," should take