

By Mr. Buffone of Worcester, petition of Charles J. Buffone for legislation to prohibit horse and dog racing on Sundays. Government Regulations.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Two.

AN ACT PROHIBITING HORSE AND DOG RACING ON SUNDAYS.

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 2 of chapter 128A of the General Laws
2 is hereby amended by striking out subsection (4), as appearing
3 in section 1 of chapter 951 of the acts of 1971, and inserting
4 in place thereof the following subsection: —

5 (4) The days on which it is intended to hold or conduct
6 such meeting, which days shall be successive weekdays, Satur-
7 day and Monday being considered successive weekdays.

1 SECTION 2. Section 3 of said chapter 128A is hereby
2 amended by striking out clause (a), as appearing in section 2 of
3 said chapter 951, and inserting in place thereof the following
4 clause: —

5 (a) Such meeting shall be on a weekday or on successive
6 weekdays, Saturday and Monday being considered successive
7 weekdays.

1 SECTION 3. Chapter 136 of the General Laws, is hereby
2 amended by striking out section 2, as most recently amended
3 by section 3 of said chapter 951, and inserting in place thereof
4 the following section: —

5 Section 2. Whoever on Sunday is present at or engages in
6 dancing, except folk or square dancing, or any game, sport,
7 fair, exposition, play, entertainment or public diversion for
8 which a charge in the form of the payment or collection of

9 money or other valuable consideration is made for the privilege
10 of being present thereat or engaging therein, and for which a
11 license has not been granted, as provided in section four, shall
12 be punished by a fine of not more than fifty dollars.

1 SECTION 4. Said chapter 136 is hereby further amended by
2 striking out section 3, as most recently amended by section 4
3 of said chapter 951, and inserting in place thereof the follow-
4 ing section: —

5 *Section 3.* Whoever on Sunday offers to view, sets up,
6 establishes or maintains, or attempts to set up, establish or
7 maintain, or promotes or assists in such attempt, or promotes,
8 or aids, abets or participates in offering to view, setting up,
9 establishing or maintaining, or acts as proprietor, manager or
10 person in charge of, dancing or any game, sport, fair, exposition,
11 play, entertainment or public diversion for which a charge
12 in the form of the payment of money or other valuable
13 consideration is made for the privilege of being present thereat
14 or engaging therein, and for which a license has not been
15 granted as provided in section four, shall be punished by a fine
16 of not more than two thousand dollars.