

SENATE . . . . . No. 365

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By Mr. Sullivan, a petition of George A. Sullivan, Jr., for legislation to prohibit the sale of orthopedic or corrective footwear without a written prescription from a physician or chiropodist. Public Health.

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

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AN ACT PROHIBITING THE SALE OF ORTHOPEDIC OR CORRECTIVE FOOTWEAR WITHOUT A WRITTEN PRESCRIPTION FROM A PHYSICIAN OR CHIROPODIST.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
2 inserting after section 186A the following section: — *Section*  
3 *186B*. No person shall sell footwear of any type or form de-  
4 signed to be of a corrective or orthopedic nature unless the  
5 prospective purchaser presents to such person a written pre-  
6 scription from a physician or chiropodist (podiatrist) regis-  
7 tered under the laws of the commonwealth, which prescrip-  
8 tion shall contain the full name, age and address of the pro-  
9 spective purchaser and the precise recommendation of fitness  
10 or correction for said purchaser by said physician or chiropo-  
11 dist. Violation of this section shall be punished by a fine of  
12 not more than twenty-five dollars.

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