

HOUSE No. 560.

Bill accompanying the petition of Joseph J. Murley for legislation relative to the manufacture and sale of combustible mixtures as metal polishes. Mercantile Affairs. January 20.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eight.

AN ACT

Relative to the Manufacture and Sale of Combustible
Metal Polishes.

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. Combustible mixtures used as metal pol-
2 ishes, which are made, sold or used within the Common-
3 wealth of Massachusetts, shall not contain more than
4 forty per cent by volume of a volatile inflammable liquid
5 that will emit an inflammable vapor at a temperature be-
6 low one hundred degrees Fahrenheit when tested in the
7 open air, or the closed pyrometer of Giuseppe Tagliabur.

1 SECTION 2. They shall be packed in tin cans provided
2 with an air tight screw cap and each can shall not con-
3 tain more than one quart. The can shall bear a label
4 having printed thereon the words "Danger; this can
5 contains dangerous inflammable liquid," in letters at

6 least one-quarter inch in height, and one-eighth inch in
7 width, and a warning against the use of the material
8 within fifteen feet of any fire; and shall also bear the
9 name and address of the manufacturer or jobber, who
10 shall be a licensee of the state police.

1 SECTION 3. All persons, firms and corporations en-
2 gaged in the manufacture, storage or sale of such com-
3 bustible mixtures used as metal polishes as are permitted
4 by this act shall be licensed by the state police, authorizing
5 them to carry on such business. Manufacturers, whole-
6 sale dealers and jobbers in metal polishes that contain
7 a volatile inflammable liquid shall pay an annual license
8 to the Commonwealth as follows: Manufacturers, whole-
9 sale dealers and jobbers whose names appear on the label
10 as licensees, fifty dollars; other dealers, two dollars.

1 SECTION 4. All persons, firms or corporations who
2 use, but do not manufacture or sell, combustible metal
3 polishes shall not keep on hand in any one building a
4 quantity exceeding six gallons. Combustible metal pol-
5 ishes shall not be used in garages.

1 SECTION 5. All cities and towns in the Commonwealth
2 shall adopt such regulations as they deem necessary for
3 the proper enforcement of this act; they shall render re-
4 ports as required by the state police; and shall bring
5 action against all persons, firms or corporations violating
6 the provisions of this act, within their territorial juris-
7 diction.

1 SECTION 6. All violations of this act shall be punished
2 with a fine of not more than one hundred dollars nor less
3 than ten dollars for each offence.

1 SECTION 7. This act shall take effect upon its passage.