

CHAPTER 172.

[H. F. No. 427.]

AN ACT TO PREVENT FRAUD UPON THE GUESTS AND BOARDERS OF HOTELS, DINING CARS, RESTAURANTS AND BOARDING HOUSES.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. The keeper, landlord or steward of any hotel, restaurant, dining car, eating house or boarding house either public or private, who shall supply the guests or boarders of such hotel, restaurant, dining car, eating house or boarding house, with any oleaginous substance or substances, or any compound of the same, or any other compound other than that produced from unadulterated milk, or of cream from the same, any article designed to take the place of butter, shall cause to be plainly printed upon every bill of fare used in said hotel, restaurant, eating house or boarding house where such adulterated compound is used, immediately under the title thereof and before the naming of any article of food thereon, in capital letters no smaller than those known as Nonpariel Celtic, the words, oleomargarine [or butterine] used as a substitute for butter, in the English language. In case no bill of fare is used in said hotel, restaurant, dining car, eating house or boarding house, then the proprietor or keeper thereof shall cause to be posted upon each and every side of the dining room or eating room, in a position where the same can be seen from any part of said room, and in letters large enough to be distinctly read from any part of said room, the words, oleomargarine used as a substitute for butter, said notice to be printed in the English language; and shall keep the same continually posted as aforesaid, so long as said compounds are kept and used; and whoever violates the provisions of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five (25) dollars nor more than fifty (50) dollars, or by imprisonment of not less than fifteen (15) nor more than thirty (30) days for the first offense, and fifty (50) dollars fine or thirty (30) days imprisonment, or by both such fine and imprisonment for each subsequent offense.

Prevent fraud upon guests by using oleomargarine, etc.

Duties of hotel keepers, etc.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

When act to take effect.

Approved March 7, 1887.