

PUBLIC ACTS

PASSED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE

STATE OF CONNECTICUT,

IN THE YEAR 1885.



PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY.

HARTFORD, CONN.:
BROWN & GROSS.
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[Substitute for House Bill No. 109.]

CHAPTER XXXVIII.

An Act concerning Independence Day.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Disturbing
noises or bon-
fires on evening
preceding or
succeeding July
4th.

SECTION 1. Any person who shall fire off any cannon, pistol, gun, fire-cracker, torpedo or any explosive causing a loud report, or who shall by ringing a bell, blowing a horn, beating a drum, or in any manner make any disturbing noise, or make a bonfire between sunset on the third day of July and sunrise on the following day, or between eleven o'clock in the evening of July fourth and sunrise of the following day, shall on conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not more than five dollars.

Firing shotted
gun on July 4th
within city or
borough.

SEC. 2. Any person who shall discharge any cannon or other fire-arm loaded with bullet, shot or other hard substance on any fourth day of July, within the corporate limits of any city or borough, shall, on conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not more than seven dollars.

Disturbance to
any ride by
noise on said
day.

SEC. 3. If any person shall be sick or in such condition as likely to be injured in health by noise or disturbance, a notice to that effect, signed by a practicing physician, may, during the third and fourth days of July, be conspicuously placed on the front of the house where such person is staying, and if any person, having knowledge of said notice, shall, during the time such notice is displayed, make any disturbing noise, as described in the first section of this act, within four hundred feet of the house whereon such notice is placed, he shall for every such offence be punished by a fine of not more than five dollars.

When July 4th
falls on Sunday.

SEC. 4. Whenever the fourth day of July shall occur on Sunday, and the celebration of national independence shall be held on any other than the fourth day of July, then this act shall extend to and in all respects have full force and effect on the day of such celebration and to the same extent, meaning and intention as though such celebration had occurred on the fourth day of July.

To what this
act does not
apply.

SEC. 5. This act shall not apply to or affect any person engaged in blasting, nor to the ringing of any bell for fire, factory, church or funeral services; nor to any military, sheriff or police duty.

Publication of
this act in each
town.

SEC. 6. It shall be the duty of the selectmen in each town to publish this act at least ten days before the fourth day of July for the next two years.

Approved, April 9, 1885.