

No. 227

## AN ACT

To amend section twelve of the act, approved the eleventh day of July, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen (Pamphlet Laws, seven hundred fifty-eight), entitled "An act for the protection of the public health by regulating the possession, control, dealing in, giving away, delivery, dispensing, administering, prescribing, and use of certain drugs, and keeping records thereof; by regulating the use of drugs in the treatment of the drug habit; by providing for the revocation and suspension of licenses of physicians, dentists, veterinarians; pharmacists, druggists, and registered nurses for certain causes, and by providing for the enforcement of this act, and penalties," making the violation of this act a felony.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section twelve, of the act, approved the eleventh day of July, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen (Pamphlet Laws, seven hundred fifty-eight) entitled "An act for the protection of the public health by regulating the possession, control, dealing in, giving away, delivery, dispensing, administering, prescribing, and use of certain drugs, and keeping records thereof; by regulating the use of drugs in the treatment of the drug habit; by providing for the revocation and suspension of licenses of physicians, dentists, veterinarians, pharmacists, druggists, and registered nurses for certain causes, and by providing for the enforcement of this act, and penalties," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 12. Any person who shall violate, or fail to comply with, any of the provisions of this act, except as provided in the last paragraph of section eight, shall be guilty of a [misdemeanor] *felony*; and, upon conviction, shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding two thousand dollars, or to undergo an imprisonment not exceeding five years, or both, at the discretion of the court. If the violation is by a corporation, copartnership, or association, the officers and directors of such corporation, or the members of such copartnership or association, their agents and employes, with guilty knowledge of the fact, shall be deemed guilty of a violation of the provisions of this act to the same extent as though said violation were committed by them personally.

APPROVED—The 22d day of June, A. D. 1931.

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Public health.

Drugs.

Section 12, act of July 11, 1917 (P. L. 758), amended.

Violation of act.

Felony.

Penalty.

Guilty knowledge.