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CHAPTER 238

The Minors' Protection Act

1.—(1) The keeper of a licensed billiard, pool or bagatelle ^{Pool rooms, etc.} room, kept directly or indirectly for hire or gain, shall not admit thereto a child under 18 years of age, or allow such a child to remain therein, unless the child is accompanied by his parent or legal guardian. R.S.O. 1937, c. 296, s. 1 (1); 1946, c. 57, s. 1 (1).

(2) This section shall not apply to a child who is a member ^{Exception.} of the family of the keeper or his servant, or who does not go to the billiard, pool or bagatelle room for the purpose of loitering or to play billiards, pool or bagatelle therein, nor where the keeper had reasonable cause to believe that the child was not under 18 years of age. R.S.O. 1937, c. 296, s. 1 (2); 1946, c. 57, s. 1 (2).

2.—(1) No person shall either directly or indirectly sell ^{Supplying tobacco.} or give or furnish to a child under 18 years of age cigarettes, cigars or tobacco in any form.

(2) This section shall not apply to a sale to a child for his ^{Exception.} parent or guardian under a written request or order of the parent or guardian. R.S.O. 1937, c. 296, s. 2.

3.—(1) Every person who contravenes any of the provisions ^{Penalty.} of this Act shall be guilty of an offence and on summary conviction shall be liable to a penalty of not less than \$2 and not more than \$50. R.S.O. 1937, c. 296, s. 3 (1), *amended*.

(2) A person who appears to the magistrate to be under the ^{Presumption as to age.} age named shall be deemed to be under that age unless it is proved that he is in fact over that age. R.S.O. 1937, c. 296, s. 3 (2).

