

Sunday Observance Act 1780 (repealed)

1780 CHAPTER 49 21 Geo 3

The person who acts as master or mistress in any such house shall be deemed the owner thereof. All houses where refreshments are sold at greater prices on Sundays than on other days, &c. liable to the penalties inflicted by this Act.

And whereas, by reason of the many subtle and crafty contrivances of persons keeping such houses, rooms or places as aforesaid, it may often be difficult to prove who is the real owner or keeper thereof: Any person who shall at any time hereafter appear, act or behave him or herself as master or mistress, or as the person having the care, government or management of any such house, room or place as aforesaid, shall be deemed and taken to be the keeper thereof, and shall be liable to be sued or prosecuted and punished as such, notwithstanding he or she be not in fact the real owner or keeper thereof: And wherever any such house, room, or place shall belong to or be kept by divers persons in partnership, as joint-owners or joint-keepers thereof, each and every such joint-owner or joint-keeper of such house, room or place shall be deemed the keeper thereof, and shall be liable to be sued or prosecuted and punished as such; and any house, room or place at which persons shall be supplied with tea, coffee or any other refreshments of eating or drinking on the Lord's Day at any greater prices than the common and usual prices at which the like refreshments are commonly sold upon other days at such house, room, or place, or at coffee houses or other houses where the same are usually sold, shall be deemed a house, room or place to which persons are admitted by the payment of money, although money be not there taken in the name of or for admittance, or at the time when persons enter into or depart from such house, room or place; and any house, room or place which shall be opened or used for any publick entertainment or amusement or for publick debate on the Lord's Day, at the expence of any number of subscribers or contributors to the carrying on any such entertainment or amusement or debate on the Lord's Day, and to which persons shall be admitted by tickets, to which the subscribers or contributors shall be intitled, shall be deemed a house, room or place to which persons are admitted by the payment of money within the meaning of this Act.

Status:

Point in time view as at 01/02/1991. This version of this provision has been superseded.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Sunday Observance Act 1780 (repealed), Section 2.