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MASSACHUSETTS LAWS STILL IN EFFECT, BUT MAYBE NOT ENFORCED
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Did you know . . . ?

1. It is illegal to keep a mule on the second floor of a building not in a city unless there are two exits (MGL Chapter 272 Section 80D);
2. It is illegal to allow someone to use stilts while working on the construction of a building (MGL Chapter 149 Section 129B);
3. It is illegal to frighten a pigeon (MGL Chapter 266 Section 132);
4. No gorilla is allowed in the back seat of any car;
5. Bullets may not be used as currency;
6. It is illegal to give alcohol or drugs to hospital patients (MGL Chapter 2708. Section 5);
7. Mourners at a wake may not eat more than three sandwiches;
8. Snoring is prohibited unless all bedroom windows are closed and securely locked;
9. If anyone damages a football post, it is punishable by a \$200 fine (MGL Chapter 266, Section 104A); and
10. No tomatoes are allowed to be added to "chowdah"!

And how about these local ordinances. Check out what might apply in your town:

In Boston it is illegal to take a bath unless one has been ordered by a physician to do so.

If you live in Hingham, houses that are seen from Main Street must have white lights only.

In Newton, all families must be given a hog from the town's mayor.

A Longmeadow ordinance makes it illegal for two men to carry a bathtub across the town green.

A Cambridge ordinance states it is illegal to shake carpets in the street, or throw orange peels on the sidewalk.

And in Milford, peeping in windows of automobiles is forbidden.

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