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<i>Received Royal Assent:</i>	<i>7 May 1928</i>
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AN ACT [Concerning singing rooms]

1 Short title

This Act may be cited as “The Local Government (Singing Rooms) Act, 1928”.

2 Definitions

In this Act, if not inconsistent with the context, the following words and expressions shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them, that is to say: —

“**Commissioners**” means the Commissioners of any district, and includes as to the borough of Douglas, the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of such borough.

“**Board**” [Repealed]¹

“**Singing Room**” means any building or place of resort to which the public is invited, in which singing, dancing, or music, whether rendered by mechanical instruments, or otherwise takes place, and whether payment is made for admission to such building or place of resort or not, but shall not include a room temporarily used by any religious or charitable institution, or a restaurant or a café, in which singing, dancing, or music takes place, or any building or place of resort licensed under the Licensing (Music and Dancing) Act, 1912, or any amending Act.

3 Singing Room not to be kept so as to be a nuisance

(1) From and after the coming into operation of this Act no person shall keep or use a singing room so as to be a nuisance to the neighbourhood.

- (2) Any person injuriously affected by a singing room being kept or used contrary to sub-section (1) of this section, or the Commissioners, may apply by petition to the High Court for an injunction to restrain any person from keeping or using a singing room in contravention of the provisions of this section.²
- (3) The use of a singing room as such for any period prior to the coming into operation of this Act shall not deprive a plaintiff, on the ground of delay or acquiescence, from obtaining an injunction in any proceedings under this Act.
- (4) In any proceedings brought by Commissioners it shall not be necessary for them to prove that the singing room is a nuisance to their district, but only to the neighbourhood in which such singing room is situate.

4 Commencement of Act

This Act shall come into operation when the Royal Assent thereto has been by the Governor announced to Tynwald, and a certificate thereof has been signed by the Governor and the Speaker of the House of Keys.

ENDNOTES

Table of Endnote References

¹ Definition of “Board” repealed by GC192/86.

² Subs (2) amended by High Court Act 1991 Sch 3.