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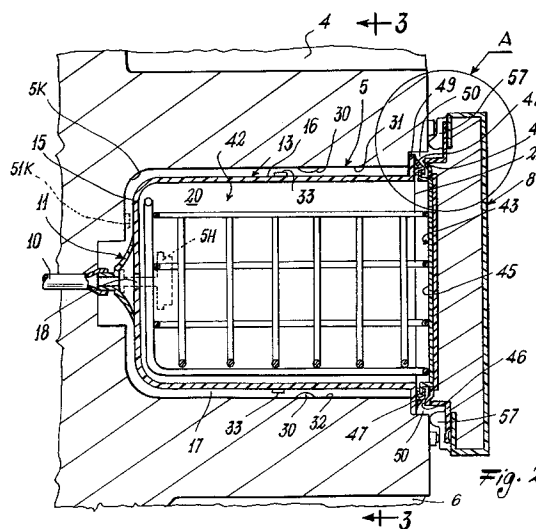
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I-21025 Comerio (VA) (IT)(54) **Improved refrigeration appliance such as a domestic refrigerator, freezer or the like, with a vacuum compartment.**

(57) A refrigeration appliance, such as a domestic refrigerator (1), freezer or the like, comprises a plurality of compartments (4,5,6) with their own access apertures (4A,5A,6A) closed by usual doors (7,8,9), one (5) of said compartments (4,5,6) being advantageously of the convertible type with controlled temperature and being connected via a pipe (10) to a vacuum-generating pumping member. A box member (13) open on one side (22) is removably contained in at least one (5) of said compartments (4,5,6) and is at least to a limited extent movable in a guided manner along walls (27) of said compartment (5), the box member (13) comprising an internal cavity (20) arranged to communicate with the pipe (10) connected to the pumping member via connection means (11), at the aperture (22) of said box member (13) there being provided means for its sealed closure supporting stiffening means (45) arranged to lie against the cavity (20) of said box member (13) in which the vacuum is generated.

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