

HOUSE No. 1429

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Mark J. Cusack

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to penalties for unlicensed work.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Mark J. Cusack</i>	<i>5th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/18/2023</i>

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By Representative Cusack of Braintree, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1429) of Mark J. Cusack for legislation to increase the penalties for continuing to practice a trade or profession after a certificate, registration, license or authority to do so has been suspended, revoked or cancelled. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1505 OF 2021-2022.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act relative to penalties for unlicensed work.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Subsection (a) of section 65 of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as
2 appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the word “\$2,500” in
3 line 5 and inserting in place thereof, the following word:- \$10,000

4 SECTION 2. Subsection (b) of section 65 of chapter 112, as so appearing, is hereby
5 amended by striking out the word “\$1,000” in line 13 and inserting in place thereof, the
6 following word:- \$5,000

7 SECTION 3. Subsection (b) of section 65 of chapter 112, as so appearing, is hereby
8 amended by striking out the word “\$2,500” in line 14 and inserting in place thereof, the
9 following word:- \$10,000

10 SECTION 4. Section 65A of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
11 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the word “\$1,000” in line 7 and inserting in
12 place thereof, the following word:- \$5,000

13 SECTION 5. Section 65A of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
14 amended by striking out the word “\$2,500” in line 8 and inserting in place thereof, the following
15 word:- \$10,000

16 SECTION 6. Section 5 of chapter 141 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
17 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking the first sentence and inserting in place thereof,
18 the following sentence:-

19 Any person, firm or corporation, or employee thereof, and any representative, member or
20 officer of such firm or corporation individually, entering upon or engaging in the business and
21 work hereinbefore defined, without having complied with this chapter, shall for the first offence
22 be punished by a fine not to exceed \$5,000, and for a subsequent offence by a fine not to exceed
23 \$10,000 or by imprisonment in the house of correction for six months, or both.

24 SECTION 7. Section 3L of chapter 143 of the General Laws, as so appearing in the 2020
25 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking the words “five hundred” in line 31 and inserting
26 in place thereof, the following words:- "ten thousand"