

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3162**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Cleon H. Turner*

*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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to motorist safety from commercial vehicles..

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Cleon H. Turner</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>
<i>Martin J. Walsh</i>	<i>13th Suffolk</i>
<i>Timothy R. Madden</i>	<i>Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket</i>
<i>Denise Andrews</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>

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By Mr. Turner of Dennis, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3162) of Cleon H. Turner and others relative to the operation of certain commercial vehicle with an accumulation of snow and ice. Transportation.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION

SEE

□ HOUSE  
□ , NO. 956 OF 2011-2012.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**

An Act relative to motorist safety from commercial vehicles..

*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. Chapter 90 of the general laws shall be amended by adding after section  
2 14B, the following new section:

3 Section 14C. No commercial motor vehicle shall be operated on public roads and no  
4 owner of such vehicle shall allow operation of such vehicle on a public road with an  
5 accumulation of snow or ice on the roof of such vehicle if the accumulation of such snow or ice  
6 or combination of snow and ice is one quarter of an inch thick or greater. It shall be the  
7 responsibility of the owner as well as the operator of such vehicle to ensure the removal of  
8 accumulated snow and ice from a vehicle before the vehicle is operated on any public road.

9 Commercial vehicle operators who violate any provision of this section shall be punished  
10 by a fine of not less than one-hundred dollars for each offense which does not cause personal  
11 injury or property damage and five-hundred dollars for offenses resulting in personal injury or  
12 property damage.