

SENATE No. 1938

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Richard T. Moore

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 Motor Vehicle Registrations.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Richard T. Moore	Worcester and Norfolk
Susan C. Tucker	Second Essex and Middlesex
Richard J. Ross	9th Norfolk
John W. Scibak	2nd Hampshire
Jennifer M. Callahan	18th Worcester

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS.

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. Section 3 of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-

3 A non-resident who has become a resident of the commonwealth and operates a motor vehicle or
4 trailer, shall, within 30 thirty days, register said vehicle or trailer in the commonwealth according
5 to this chapter. A vehicle or trailer not registered accordingly shall not be operated on the ways
6 of the commonwealth. Whoever operates, or allows to be operated, a motor vehicle or trailer in
7 violation of this paragraph shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$250 nor more than \$500.
8 Half of all revenue generated in conjunction with the stated violation shall be retained by the
9 municipality in which the violation occurs.

10 SECTION 2. Chapter 90 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting
11 after section 9D the following section:-

12 Section 9E. A motor vehicle or trailer that has been in operation for more than 30 days in the
13 aggregate in any 1 year, and whose owner qualifies as a resident under section 3 ½, shall be
14 registered according to this chapter. Whoever operates, or allows to be operated, a motor vehicle

15 or trailer in violation of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$250 for the first
16 offense and not more than \$1000 for any subsequent offense. Half of all revenue generated in
17 conjunction with the stated violation shall be retained by the municipality in which the violation
18 occurs.