

**SENATE . . . . . No. 740**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Robert L. Hedlund***

*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 littering fines.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Robert L. Hedlund*

*Plymouth and Norfolk*

*Michael R. Knapik*

*Second Hampden and Hampshire*

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By Mr. Hedlund, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 740) of Robert L. Hedlund and Michael R. Knapik for legislation relative to littering fines. The Judiciary.

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act relative to littering fines.

*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 16 of chapter 270 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:

3 A person while operating or as a passenger of a motor vehicle shall not deposit or cause  
4 to be deposited garbage, paper, refuse, bottles, cans, rubbish or trash of any kind or nature on any  
5 public or private property without permission of the owner, tenant or lessee of such property.

6 Any operator or passenger of a motor vehicle found in violation by a law enforcement  
7 official shall be subject to a citation without criminal complaint and fine of not less than one  
8 hundred dollars for their first offense.

9 Any operator or passenger of a motor vehicle found in violation by a law enforcement  
10 official shall be subject to a citation without criminal complaint and fine of not less than five  
11 hundred dollars for their second offense.

12 Any operator or passenger of a motor vehicle found in violation by a law enforcement  
13 official shall be subject to a citation with criminal complaint and fine of not less than one  
14 thousand dollars for their third offense.