

HOUSE No. 1417

By Mr. Williams of Andover, petition of the Massachusetts Safety Council for requiring that motor vehicle ignition switches be locked whenever motor vehicles are left standing unattended in any way. Highways and Motor Vehicles.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Six.

AN ACT REQUIRING THAT MOTOR VEHICLE IGNITION SWITCHES BE LOCKED WHENEVER MOTOR VEHICLES ARE LEFT STANDING UNATTENDED IN ANY WAY.

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 13 of chapter 90 of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by striking out the second sentence and inserting in
3 place thereof the following:—No person having control or
4 charge of a motor vehicle shall allow such vehicle to stand in
5 any way and remain unattended without first stopping the
6 motor of said vehicle and locking the ignition switch thereon
7 so as to prevent such vehicle from being set in motion by un-
8 authorized persons, or otherwise, contrary to the will of the
9 owner or person in charge thereof, and effectively setting the
10 brakes of such vehicle or otherwise making it fast so as to pre-
11 vent accidental movement thereof.

