

HOUSE No. 2025

By Mr. King of Millis, petition of Otto D. Plank and Joseph F. Dolan that contract carriers by armored motor vehicles be relieved from filing with the Department of Public Utilities copies of contracts between themselves and their customers. Transportation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-Nine.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE FILING OF WRITTEN CONTRACTS BY CERTAIN CONTRACT CARRIERS BY MOTOR 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 seven (a) of chapter four hundred and
2 eighty-three of the acts of nineteen hundred and
3 thirty-eight (General Laws, chapter one hundred and
4 fifty-nine B, section seven (a)) is hereby amended
5 by inserting after the tenth line thereof the follow-
6 ing:— provided that contract carriers by armored
7 motor vehicles of bullion, currency, securities, ne-
8 gotiable and non-negotiable documents, jewels, and
9 other precious and very valuable articles, shall be
10 exempt from executing and filing copies of their
11 contracts as herein prescribed, — so that said sec-
12 tion seven (a) shall read:— *Section 7. (a) Every*
13 *contract carrier by motor vehicle shall file with the*
14 *department a true copy of every contract for the*
15 *transportation of property by motor vehicle in effect*

16 in connection with its operations, which shall be in
17 writing and shall be executed by all parties thereto.
18 The period of time during which such contract shall
19 be in force, the charges for transportation and acces-
20 sorial service, if any, and the duties and obligations
21 of all parties thereto, shall be specifically stated
22 therein, and said copies shall be kept on file in the
23 department, but not open to public inspection;
24 provided that contract carriers by armored motor
25 vehicles of bullion, currency, securities, negotiable
26 and non-negotiable documents, jewels, and other
27 precious and very valuable articles, shall be exempt
28 from executing and filing copies of their contracts
29 as herein prescribed. The department may also in
30 its discretion require all contract carriers to file
31 schedules of their minimum charges, each of which
32 schedules shall contain a list of all parties with whom
33 contracts are or may from time to time be in effect,
34 and a statement of the charge for each service per-
35 formed thereunder, without designation of the party
36 for whom the same are being or are to be performed.
37 Such schedules shall be kept on file in the depart-
38 ment and shall be open to public inspection. Any
39 change in such minimum charges shall become effec-
40 tive not less than thirty days after the filing of such
41 change with the department; provided, that the
42 department may in its discretion and for good cause
43 shown allow such change to become effective within
44 a lesser period.