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By Mr. Chambers of Malden, petition of the Massachusetts Lawyers Legislative Council for legislation to amend the law relative to attachment of motor vehicles on mesne process in actions of contract. The Judiciary.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Three.

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AN ACT AMENDING THE LAW RELATIVE TO THE ATTACHMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES ON MESNE PROCESS IN ACTIONS OF CONTRACT.

*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 forty-four A of chapter two hundred and  
2 twenty-three of the General Laws, inserted by section  
3 two of chapter two hundred and ninety-five of the  
4 acts of nineteen hundred and thirty-seven, is hereby  
5 amended by inserting after the word "commenced"  
6 in the seventh line the words:— or by a justice,  
7 associate justice or special justice of the municipal  
8 court of the city of Boston, — so as to read as follows:  
9 — *Section 44A.* Motor vehicles registered under the  
10 law of this commonwealth shall not be attached on  
11 mesne process in an action of contract unless written  
12 consent to such attachment is endorsed on the writ  
13 and signed by a justice, associate justice or special

14 justice of the court wherein such action is commenced,  
15 or by a justice, associate justice or special justice of  
16 the municipal court of the city of Boston. Costs in  
17 any action in which such a motor vehicle has been  
18 attached shall be in the discretion of the court.