

HOUSE No. 1108

By Mr. Palmer of Somerville, petition of Harold A. Palmer that persons offering for sale new automobiles be prohibited from requiring as a part of the proposed transaction the trade-in of a used motor vehicle and relative to sales of new automobiles at list price without the mandatory purchase of accessories. Mercantile Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE SALE OF NEW AUTOMOBILES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 No person offering for sale any new automobile
2 shall require, as a part of the proposed transaction,
3 any trade-in of a used motor vehicle owned by the
4 prospective purchaser, and any such new automobile
5 shall be offered to the latter at the list price, in cash;
6 provided, that any customer may, at his option, offer
7 his used motor vehicle to the seller of a new automobile
8 in an exchange transaction. Unless expressly ordered
9 by the purchaser, no accessories shall be affixed to any
10 new automobile offered for sale.

11 Any person who violates any provision of this act
12 shall be punished by a fine of not more than one
13 thousand dollars, or by imprisonment for not more
14 than six months, or both.

