

HOUSE No. 1236

By Mr. Cronin of Boston (by request), petition of G. Franklin Daniels for requiring notices of warnings for violations of parking regulations and for limiting penalties therefor. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-Two.

AN ACT TO LIMIT PENALTIES FOR PARKING REGULATIONS.

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 who operates a motor vehicle within the
2 commonwealth shall be penalized or be required to
3 pay a fine for parking said vehicle in a restricted area
4 or in an area where a time limit is prescribed, unless
5 said person has been guilty of more than five viola-
6 tions of said restrictions within the same area, and
7 said person shall be entitled to five notices or warn-
8 ings of said offences. After said person has had five
9 notices of violations of the parking regulations in the
10 same area, he may be subject to a fine, which fine
11 shall not exceed the sum of one dollar for each offence.

12 Payments of fines imposed shall be made to the
13 office of the clerk of courts in the jurisdiction where
14 the violation occurred, and no person, unless he shall
15 elect to appeal to the court for a hearing thereon, shall
16 be required to appear before a court or any of the
17 justices thereof in any complaint charging parking

18 violation. No license or motor vehicle registration
19 shall be revoked by the registrar of motor vehicles, or
20 by any officer of the court, for the violation of park-
21 ing rules, and any penalty imposed therefor shall be
22 limited to the payment of a fine. All records in con-
23 nection with parking violations shall be kept in the
24 office of the clerk of the court in the jurisdiction where
25 the offence occurred for a period not exceeding one
26 year, and at the end of the calendar year, on Decem-
27 ber. thirty-first of each year, all records shall be
28 destroyed.