

SENATE No. 492

To accompany the petition of Frank J. Donnellan for legislation relative to sightseeing guides and/or private guides in and from the city of Boston. Transportation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO SIGHTSEEING GUIDES AND/OR PRIVATE GUIDES IN AND FROM THE CITY OF BOSTON.

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 1. Term sightseeing guide and/or private
2 guide as used in this act shall be any person who for
3 a consideration furnishes guide service in an automo-
4 bile or bus owned by another, from or in the city of
5 Boston.

1 SECTION 2. It shall be unlawful for a person or
2 corporation to solicit, offer or furnish sightseeing guide
3 service in or from the city of Boston unless said person
4 is licensed to do so as hereinafter provided.

1 SECTION 3. The police commissioner of the city
2 of Boston shall have the exclusive authority to license
3 residents of said city as sightseeing guides in and from
4 the city of Boston, and to designate places on public

5 streets which may be occupied as guide stands. He
6 further has the right to specify the days and within
7 the hours said licensees may occupy the stands. Such
8 licenses shall be granted for a term not exceeding one
9 year, but whenever granted shall expire annually on
10 the first day of March, and shall at any time be re-
11 voked or suspended for cause by said commissioner.
12 The fee for such licenses issued hereunder shall be the
13 same as those established from time to time for
14 licenses granted to drivers of hackney carriage.

1 SECTION 4. Guide stands* will be open to all li-
2 censed guides.

1 SECTION 5. The police commissioner will have the
2 right to require that the guide be bonded as he deems
3 necessary.

1 SECTION 6. The passage of this act in no way
2 changes chapter three hundred and ninety-nine of the
3 acts of nineteen hundred and thirty-one as amended
4 by chapter ninety-three of the acts of nineteen hun-
5 dred and thirty-three.

1 SECTION 7. Any person violating the provisions of
2 this act shall be punished by a fine of not more than
3 fifty dollars.