

By Mr. Boot of Lynn (by request), petition of Norman E. Folsom for prohibiting the solicitation of transportation in certain motor vehicles or the acceptance for transportation of persons soliciting the same. Highways and Motor Vehicles.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

### AN ACT PROHIBITING THE SOLICITATION OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE TRANSPORTATION OF SOLICITORS IN CERTAIN 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 Chapter 85 of the General Laws is hereby amended  
2 by inserting after section 17B the following two sec-  
3 tions: —

4 *Section 17C.* Whoever endeavors by words, gestures,  
5 or otherwise, to beg, invite or secure transportation in  
6 any motor vehicle not engaged in carrying passengers  
7 for hire, shall be punished by a fine of not more than  
8 fifty dollars; provided, that nothing in this section shall  
9 prohibit the solicitation of aid in the event of acci-  
10 dents or by persons who are sick or seeking assistance  
11 for the sick; which exception for sickness shall apply  
12 only in cases of bona fide sickness in which an emer-  
13 gency exists. This section shall not apply to members  
14 of the armed forces of the United States while in uni-  
15 form.

16 *Section 17D.* Whoever, while driving a motor vehi-  
17 cle upon any public way, accepts for transportation  
18 in such vehicle any person soliciting such transporta-  
19 tion in the manner set forth in the preceding section,  
20 unless he is engaged in the business of transporting  
21 passengers by motor vehicle for hire, shall be punished  
22 by a fine of not more than fifty dollars.

