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To accompany the petition of Joseph E. McDermott for legislation to exempt certain handicapped persons from certain motor vehicle parking fees and penalties and providing a distinctive number plate for the motor vehicle of a handicapped person. Highways and Motor Vehicles.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

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AN ACT EXEMPTING CERTAIN HANDICAPPED PERSONS FROM CERTAIN MOTOR VEHICLE PARKING FEES AND PENALTIES AND PROVIDING A DISTINCTIVE NUMBER PLATE FOR THE MOTOR VEHICLE OF A HANDICAPPED PERSON.

*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. Section 22 of chapter 40 of the General  
2 Laws is hereby amended by striking out the last para-  
3 graph, as amended by section 1 of chapter 458 of the  
4 acts of 1955, and inserting in place thereof the follow-  
5 ing paragraph:—

6 No penalty shall be imposed upon any disabled vet-  
7 eran or handicapped person, whose vehicle bears the  
8 distinctive number plates authorized by section two of  
9 chapter ninety, for parking such vehicle on any way for  
10 a longer period of time than permitted by said ordi-  
11 nances, by-laws, rules or orders.

1 SECTION 2. Section 22A of said chapter 40, as most  
2 recently amended by section 2 of said chapter 458 of the  
3 acts of 1955, is hereby further amended by striking out  
4 the last two sentences and inserting in place thereof the  
5 following sentence:— No fee shall be exacted and no  
6 penalty shall be imposed for the parking of any vehicle

7 owned and driven by a disabled veteran or by a handi-  
8 capped person and bearing the distinctive number plates  
9 authorized by section two of chapter ninety.

1 SECTION 3. The seventh paragraph of section 2 of  
2 chapter 90 of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
3 inserting after the word "eye" in line 22, as appearing  
4 in chapter 225 of the acts of 1953, the words: — , pleas-  
5 ure passenger vehicles owned by any person who has  
6 suffered the loss or permanent loss of the use of one or  
7 both feet, and who operates his own registered pleasure  
8 vehicle; and by striking out the last sentence, added by  
9 section three of said chapter four hundred and fifty-  
10 eight of the acts of nineteen hundred and fifty-five.