

SENATE No. 54

To accompany the petition of Newland H. Holmes for legislation to regulate the revocation of licenses to operate motor vehicles upon conviction for failing to stop and give certain information after a motor vehicle accident resulting in personal injuries. Highways and Motor Vehicles.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act regulating the Revocation of Licenses to operate Motor Vehicles upon Conviction for Failing to Stop and give Certain Information after a Motor Vehicle Accident resulting in Personal Injuries.

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 twenty-four of chapter ninety of the
2 General Laws, as most recently amended by
3 chapter two hundred and seventy-four of the acts
4 of nineteen hundred and twenty-nine, is hereby
5 further amended by inserting after the word
6 "foregoing" in the seventy-fourth line the words:
7 — no new license shall be issued by the registrar
8 to any person convicted of going away, after
9 knowingly colliding with or otherwise causing
10 injury to any person while operating a motor

11 vehicle upon any way or in any place to which the
12 public has a right of access, without stopping and
13 making known his name, residence and the num-
14 ber of his motor vehicle, until one year after the
15 date of his original conviction, if for a first offence,
16 or two years after the date of his original convic-
17 tion for any subsequent offence, and, — so that
18 the sixth sentence will read as follows: — The
19 registrar in his discretion may issue a new license
20 to any person acquitted in the appellate court, or
21 after an investigation or upon hearing may issue
22 a new license to a person convicted in any court;
23 provided, that no new license shall be issued by
24 the registrar to any person convicted of operating
25 a motor vehicle while under the influence of in-
26 toxicating liquor until one year after the date of
27 final conviction, if for a first offence, or five years
28 after any subsequent conviction, and to any per-
29 son convicted of violating any other provision of
30 this section until sixty days after the date of final
31 conviction, if for a first offence, or one year after
32 the date of any subsequent conviction; and pro-
33 vided, further, that notwithstanding the foregoing,
34 no new license shall be issued by the registrar to
35 any person convicted of going away, after know-
36 ingly colliding with or otherwise causing injury
37 to any person while operating a motor vehicle
38 upon any way or in any place to which the public
39 has a right of access, without stopping and making
40 known his name, residence and the number of his
41 motor vehicle, until one year after the date of his
42 original conviction, if for a first offence, or two

43 years after the date of his original conviction for
44 any subsequent offence, and no new license shall
45 be issued by the registrar to any person convicted
46 of operating a motor vehicle while under the
47 influence of intoxicating liquor, until ten years
48 after the date of final conviction, in case the
49 registrar determines, upon investigation and after
50 a hearing, that the action of the person so con-
51 victed in committing such offence caused an
52 accident resulting in the death of another, nor at
53 any time after a subsequent final conviction of a
54 like offence, in case the registrar determines in the
55 manner aforesaid that the action of such person
56 so subsequently convicted in committing such
57 subsequent offence caused an accident resulting in
58 the death of another.

43. In any case where the date of his original conviction for
44. any offence shall be less than three years
45. as shown by the register, and he has been
46. convicted of another offence within the
47. period of three years, he shall be deemed to be
48. a habitual offender, and shall be liable to be
49. committed to the custody of the State for
50. a term not exceeding three years, or to be
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