

To accompany the petition of Franklin T. Miller that provision be made for the granting of connecting licenses for the operation of motor vehicles upon public ways for the carriage of passengers for hire. Street Railways.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act providing for the Granting of Connecting License for operation of Motor Vehicles upon Public Ways for Carriage of Passengers for Hire.

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 one hundred and fifty-nine of the
2 General Laws is hereby amended by adding after
3 section forty-five the following new section: —

4 *Section 45A.* A person or corporation, whose
5 petition to the city council of a city or the board
6 of selectmen of a town for a license to operate
7 motor vehicles upon public ways therein for the
8 carriage of passengers for hire under the pro-
9 visions of section forty-five of chapter one hun-
10 dred and fifty-nine of the General Laws and acts
11 in amendment thereof or in addition thereto, has
12 in whole or in part been granted or refused, or has
13 been neither granted nor refused within three
14 months after the filing thereof, may, within sixty
15 days after such grant or refusal of a license or the
16 expiration of said three months, apply to the

17 department of public utilities for such license. If
18 it shall appear at a hearing on the application,
19 after such notice to the city council or the select-
20 men and others interested, by publication or
21 otherwise, as the department shall order, that the
22 applicant has already been granted licenses under
23 the aforesaid statutory provisions in two cities,
24 or two towns, or a city or town, adjoining the city
25 or town where such license has been asked for,
26 or has already been granted licenses in two ad-
27 joining cities, or two adjoining towns, or an ad-
28 joining city and town, and that a license is neces-
29 sary in order to provide for the carriage of pas-
30 sengers by motor vehicles between the cities and
31 towns in which licenses have been granted, the
32 department may, if it finds that public necessity
33 and convenience so require, enter an order grant-
34 ing such connecting license, and in granting the
35 license the department may prescribe such terms
36 and conditions as it may deem proper.

