

HOUSE No. 1177

By Mr. Herter of Boston (by request), petition of the Retail Trade Board of Boston that the Department of Public Utilities be authorized to grant temporary licenses to common carriers of passengers by motor buses for the purpose of operating trial routes. Transportation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act authorizing the Department of Public Utilities to grant Temporary Licenses to Common Carriers of Passengers by Motor Vehicle for the Purpose of Operating Trial Routes.

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 five of chapter one hundred and fifty-nine A
2 of the General Laws, as appearing in the Tercentenary
3 Edition thereof, is hereby amended by inserting after
4 the word "facilities" in the third line the words:—
5 or to provide for trial routes, — by adding at the end
6 of the second sentence thereof the following:—,
7 except that temporary licenses issued to provide for
8 trial routes shall not exceed one hundred and twenty
9 days, — and by adding at the end of said section the
10 following:— or for the same trial route, — so as to
11 read as follows:— *Section 5.* The department may,
12 in order to provide for unusual, sudden or unforeseen

13 transportation needs, or to avoid interruption of
14 existing transportation facilities, or to provide for
15 trial routes, issue such temporary licenses as it deems
16 public convenience and necessity may require over
17 such route or routes as it shall specify. All tem-
18 porary licenses issued under the provisions of this
19 section shall be limited to such period as the depart-
20 ment shall specify, not exceeding sixty days, except
21 that temporary licenses issued to provide for trial
22 routes shall not exceed one hundred and twenty
23 days. No such license shall be renewed nor shall more
24 than one such license for substantially the same route
25 be granted to the same person because of the same
26 emergency or for the same trial route.