

HOUSE No. 2676

By Mr. Murphy of Brockton, petition of Paul Maurice Murphy and another that passengers injured in motor vehicle accidents be permitted to recover damages on proof of ordinary negligence on the part of the operator. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PERMITTING A PERSON INJURED IN A MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT, WHILE A PASSENGER, TO RECOVER DAMAGES UPON PROOF OF ORDINARY NEGLIGENCE OF THE OPERATOR.

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 231 of the General Laws is hereby amended by in-
2 serting after section 85E, as added by chapter 300 of the acts of
3 1959, the following new section: —

4 *Section 85F.* In all actions to recover damages for personal
5 injury or damage to property resulting from an accident involv-
6 ing a motor vehicle, wherein the plaintiff was a passenger, the
7 plaintiff shall be permitted to recover upon proof of acts or
8 omissions of the operator which constitute ordinary negligence.

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES

Article I

Section 1

All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.