

By Mr. White of Boston, petition of Marie L. Kenney and W. Paul White that operators of motor vehicles who kill or injure a dog or cat be required to report the accidents to either the owner or custodian of such dog or cat or to a police officer. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Nine.

AN ACT REQUIRING THE OPERATOR OF A MOTOR VEHICLE WHICH STRIKES AND INJURES OR KILLS A DOG TO REPORT IT.

*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 272 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting  
2 after section 80F the following new section: —

3 *Section 80G.* Hitting a dog or cat with a motor vehicle. The  
4 operator of a motor vehicle that strikes and injures or kills a dog or  
5 cat shall forthwith report such an accident to the owner or custo-  
6 dian of said dog or cat or to a police officer. Anyone found in  
7 violation of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than  
8 fifty dollars.

