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SENATE No. 762

By Mr. Walsh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 762) of Joseph B. Walsh and Theodore Kline for legislation to increase the penalty for robbery of a person who is a commercial driver for hire or a taxicab driver. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT INCREASING THE PENALTY FOR ROBBERY OF A PERSON WHO
IS A COMMERCIAL DRIVER FOR HIRE OR A TAXICAB DRIVER.

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 265 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
- 2 inserting after section 17 the following section:—
- 3 *Section 17A.* Whoever, being armed with a dangerous
- 4 weapon, assaults an operator of a public conveyance and robs,
- 5 steals or takes from such person money or other property
- 6 which may be the subject of larceny, shall be punished by
- 7 imprisonment in the state prison for life or for any term of
- 8 years, and execution of such sentence shall not be suspended.

THE SENATE HAS PASSED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS:

By Mr. Wilson a petition presented by Mr. James M. Hill of Joseph, N. H., and Thomas Hill for a special act to amend the laws for the relief of a person who is a non-resident of the State at the time of his death, was referred to the Judiciary.

The Government of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-Six

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS FOR THE RELIEF OF A PERSON WHO IS A NON-RESIDENT AT THE TIME OF HIS DEATH.

Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled and by the authority of the same, on February

1. Chapter 265 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 17 the following section:—

2. Section 17A. Whoever, being seized with a dangerous weapon, commits an offense of a public character and takes a male or female from such person money or other property which may be the subject of insurance, shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for life or for any term of 5 years and a fine of such amount as shall not be exceeded.