

HOUSE No. 4763

By Mr. Businger of Brookline, petition of John A. Businger that motor vehicles and combinations of motor vehicles and trailers or semi-trailers be equipped with identical stopping capabilities. Public Safety.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR IDENTICAL STOPPING CAPABILITIES FOR MOTOR VEHICLES AND COMBINATIONS OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAILERS OR SEMI-TRAILERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 The first paragraph of section 7 of Chapter 90, as most recently
2 amended by Chapter 149 of the Acts of 1972, is hereby further
3 amended by inserting after the first sentence the following new
4 sentence: —

5 Every motor vehicle and every combination of motor vehicle
6 with trailer or semi-trailer when operated upon the highways of the
7 commonwealth shall at a speed of twenty miles per hour be
8 capable, at all times and under all conditions of loading, of
9 stopping on a dry, smooth, approximately level pavement free
10 from loose material, upon application of the foot or service brake,
11 within a distance of thirty feet.

12 This requirement shall take effect on January first, nineteen
13 hundred and seventy-nine.

In the House of Representatives, January 1, 1972.

The Committee on Education and the Arts

is pleased to announce the following

for the year 1972. The following are the names of the members of the committee.

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