

By Mr. Wetmore, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 463) of Rodney O. Burt and Robert D. Wetmore for legislation to further regulate the breeding of greyhounds within the Commonwealth. Government Regulations.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE BREEDING OF GREYHOUNDS WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH.

*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 277 of the Acts of 1986, Section 2, is hereby amended  
2 by striking out paragraphs 1 and 3 and inserting in place  
3 thereof: —

4 (1) To promote, develop and encourage through the  
5 Massachusetts greyhound breeding program, breeding of racing  
6 greyhounds in the commonwealth by offering: a cash prize to the  
7 breeder of a Massachusetts bred greyhound, equal to not more  
8 than twenty-five percent of the purse monies won by said  
9 greyhound in any pari-mutuel greyhound race if said greyhound  
10 finishes first, second, or third; a cash prize equal to not more than  
11 fifteen percent of the purse monies won by said greyhound to the  
12 owner of the stud; provided, however, that (I) the stud stood in  
13 the commonwealth at the time of service to the bitch and the owner  
14 of the stud was a Massachusetts resident, (II) the greyhound  
15 finishes first, second, or third and (III) the stud is registered with  
16 the department as a stud standing in Massachusetts at the time  
17 of mating; and a cash prize equal to not more than five percent  
18 of the purse monies won by said greyhound in any unrestricted  
19 pari-mutuel greyhound race to the owner of a Massachusetts bred  
20 greyhound if said greyhound finishes first, second, or third.

21 No person shall be eligible for the prizes provided herein unless  
22 all of the following standards are met: —

- 23 (a) the greyhound is whelped in Massachusetts from a bitch  
24 owned by a Massachusetts resident; and  
25 (b) the greyhound is physically present within Massachusetts  
26 for the first six months of the first year following the date such  
27 greyhound was whelped; and  
28 (c) the greyhound is certified as a Massachusetts bred  
29 greyhound by the department.