

HOUSE No. 5343

By Mr. Alexander of Marblehead, petition of Lawrence R. Alexander relative to the confiscation and revocation of a registration certificate and license plates for the operation of a motor vehicle after the suspension of a license to operate. Public Safety.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO SAFE DRIVING.

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

1 Section 23 of Chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing
2 in the 1988 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding after
3 the second paragraph the following new paragraph: —

4 “Any person operating a motor vehicle after his license to
5 operate has been suspended or revoked under the first and second
6 paragraphs of this section shall, after a hearing, in addition to all
7 other applicable penalties, have the motor vehicle registration
8 certificate and license number plate(s) of the vehicle operated by
9 him and registered to him confiscated and revoked for up to one
10 hundred and eighty days. If the operator has any other motor
11 vehicle(s) registered in his name the number plate(s) and
12 registration certificate(s) for the motor vehicle(s) shall be
13 confiscated and revoked for up to one hundred and eighty days.”

14 If the vehicle driven by the operator is registered to another person
15 the registration certificate and number plate(s) shall, after a
16 hearing, be confiscated and revoked for up to thirty days. When
17 an individual is stopped and cited for operating a motor vehicle
18 after license suspension or revocation, the police immediately shall
19 confiscate the number plate(s) and registration certificate of the
20 vehicle operated by him if it is registered to him and notify the
21 Registry to begin revocation proceedings.

