

HOUSE No. 5483

By Mr. Walsh of Boston, petition of Richard L. Walsh relative to further defining approved smoke detectors. Public Safety.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT FURTHER DEFINING APPROVED SMOKE DETECTORS.

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 26D of chapter 148 of the General Laws, inserted by
2 section 1 of chapter 712 of the acts of 1979, is hereby amended by
3 striking out the definition of "Approved smoke detector" and
4 inserting in place thereof the following definition: —

5 "Approved smoke detector", shall be a smoke detector which
6 may be activated by a battery power source or which may be
7 activated by being permanently wired to a source of alternating
8 current electric power or connected to a source of alternating
9 current electric power by an underwriter's laboratory approved
10 cord with a strain relief and plug retainer; provided, however, that
11 an ionization type smoke detector shall not be an approved smoke
12 detector. For the purposes of this section an ionization type smoke
13 detector shall mean any smoke detector containing radio-active
14 materials.

