HOUSE . . . No. 638

By Mr. Whidden of Brookline (by request), petition of the Motor Coach and Bus Association of New England, Inc., that motor buses in use on public ways shall not be subject to attachment on mesne process. Judiciary (Joint).

The Commonwealth of Wassachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty.

An Act relative to the Attachment of Motor Buses on Mesne Process.

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 forty-three of chapter two hundred and
- 2 twenty-three of the General Laws is hereby amended
- 3 by inserting after the words "street railway cars"
- 4 in the first line of the said section, the words: and
- 5 motor buses, and by inserting after the word "rail-
- 6 ways" in the second line of said section, the words: -
- 7 or public ways, so as to read as follows: Railroad
- 8 cars and engines and street railway cars and motor
- 9 buses in use and making regular passages on railroads
- 10 or railways or public ways, and steamboats so in use
- 11 upon water routes, shall not be attached upon mesne
- 12 process unless the officer who makes the attachment
- 13 has first demanded of the owners or managers thereof
- 14 other property, upon which to make it, equal in value
- 15 to the ad damnum in the writ, and such owners or
- 16 managers have refused or neglected to comply with
- 17 said demand; except that a steamboat so in use may

18 be attached, if the attachment is made more than

19 forty-eight hours before its fixed time of departure.

20 Such attachment shall be void unless the officer

21 certifies in his return that he has made such demand

22 and that the owners or managers have refused or

23 neglected to comply therewith.



