

HOUSE No. 346

By Mr. Lane of Lawrence, petition of Thomas J. Lane relative to appointment by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles of supervisors and hearing officers and defining the powers and duties of such officers. Insurance.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT BY THE REGISTRAR OF MOTOR VEHICLES OF SUPERVISORS AND HEARING OFFICERS AND DEFINING THEIR POWERS AND DUTIES.

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 twenty-nine of chapter ninety of the Gen-
2 eral Laws, as most recently amended by section one of
3 chapter four hundred and seventy-seven of the acts
4 of nineteen hundred and thirty-five, is hereby further
5 amended by striking out the first four sentences and
6 inserting in place thereof the following:—

7 The registrar shall appoint competent persons to
8 act as investigators, examiners, supervisors and hear-
9 ing officers, may remove them for cause, and may
10 define their duties. He may also appoint, and for
11 cause remove, a deputy registrar and an assistant to
12 the registrar, and may delegate to such deputy and
13 assistant the performance of any duty imposed upon

14 the registrar by any provision of this chapter. He
15 may establish a section for the inspection of motor
16 vehicles used for the transportation of property with
17 reference to all police requirements, including equip-
18 ment and weight of loads. Said investigators, ex-
19 aminers, supervisors and hearing officers, with respect
20 to the enforcement of the laws relating to motor
21 vehicles, shall have and exercise throughout the com-
22 monwealth all the powers of constables, except the
23 service of civil process, and of police officers, including
24 the power to arrest any person who violates any pro-
25 vision of this chapter, and they may serve all processes
26 lawfully issued by the courts, the department in the
27 exercise of its functions under this chapter or the
28 registrar.