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By Mr. Cawley of Boston (by request), petition of the Associated Safety Councils of Massachusetts for legislation to authorize the Registrar of Motor Vehicles to establish a point system for operators of motor vehicles. Highways and Motor Vehicles.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Four.

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### AN ACT TO PERMIT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A POINT SYSTEM BY THE REGISTRAR OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

*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 22 of chapter 90 of the General Laws is amended by
- 2 adding thereto the following:—
- 3 The registrar may suspend or revoke the operating privilege
- 4 of any person who appears by the records of the registry to be
- 5 an habitually reckless or negligent operator of a motor vehicle.
- 6 In addition to the other powers and duties of the registrar as
- 7 provided by law, for the purpose of determining when to suspend
- 8 or revoke an operating privilege, the registrar may determine
- 9 and adopt by rule a point system or other reasonable method of
- 10 weighing traffic violations, convictions, accident involvement or
- 11 other conduct considered by the registrar to be improper op-
- 12 eration of a motor vehicle according to the seriousness thereof
- 13 and may change such point or other reasonable weighing system
- 14 from time to time as he deems necessary.

## The Government of the District of Columbia

Section 1401. The following provisions shall apply:

- As for the motor and non-motor vehicles of the District of Columbia and the registration of such vehicles.
- As a condition of the license and title of registration in the District of Columbia, the following provisions shall apply:
1. Section 1401 of Chapter 101 of the District Code is amended by adding therein the following:
  2. The register and records of motor and non-motor vehicles shall be kept in accordance with the provisions of this section.
  3. If any person who appears by the records in the register to be an individual, trustee or assignee of a motor vehicle, it shall be applied to the other parties and duties of the register as provided by law for the purpose of determining who is deemed to be the owner of such vehicle.
  4. In order to operate a motor vehicle, the register may determine and adopt by rule a point system or other reasonable method of weighting traffic violations, convictions, accident involvement or other conduct considered by the register to be improper operation of a motor vehicle according to the provisions of this section and may change such point or other reasonable weighting system from time to time as it deems necessary.