

HOUSE No. 2630

By Mr. Cavanaugh of Medford, petition of Paul J. Cavanaugh for legislation relative to parking violations of motor vehicles registered in the name of corporations and trustees. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO PARKING VIOLATIONS OF MOTOR VEHICLES REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CORPORATIONS AND TRUSTEES.

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 20A of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as most
2 recently amended by section 1 of chapter 249 of the acts of
3 1953, is hereby further amended by striking out the third para-
4 graph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:—
5 Should any person notified to appear hereunder fail to appear
6 and, if a fine is provided hereunder, to pay the same, or having
7 appeared desire not to avail himself of the benefits of the pro-
8 cedure established by this section, the clerk shall as soon as may
9 be notify the officer concerned, who shall forthwith make a com-
10 plaint and follow the procedure established for criminal cases.
11 If any person fails to appear in accordance with the summons
12 issued upon such complaint, the clerk shall send such person,
13 by registered mail, return receipt requested, a notice that the
14 complaint is pending and that, if the person fails to appear within
15 twenty-one days from the sending of such notice, a warrant for
16 his arrest will be issued and the registrar of motor vehicles
17 notified to suspend his right or license to operate motor vehicles.
18 If any person fails to appear within twenty-one days from the
19 sending of such notice, the court shall issue a warrant for his
20 arrest and the clerk shall notify the registrar, who shall forth-
21 with suspend the right of such person to operate motor vehicles,
22 or his license, if any, to operate the same, or if the vehicle is

23 registered in the name of a corporation, partnership or a fidu-
24 ciary the registrar shall suspend the registration, and shall not
25 reinstate such right, license or registration, or issue a renewal
26 thereof to such person until after notice from the clerk of the
27 court disposing of such complaint that the same has been dis-
28 posed of in accordance with law; and it shall be the duty of the
29 clerk of the court disposing of such complaint to notify the
30 registrar forthwith that such case has been so disposed of. The
31 notice to appear, provided herein, shall be printed in such form
32 as the chief justice of the municipal court of the city of Boston
33 may prescribe for said court, and as the administrative commis-
34 sioner of district courts as created by section forty-three A of chapter
35 two hundred and eighteen may prescribe for district courts other
36 than said municipal court. The clerks of the district courts shall
37 distribute such notices to the commanding officers of police
38 departments upon request, and shall take a receipt therefor.