
By Mr. Rogers, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 575) of John Costa and George Rogers for legislation to provide limits of automobile insurance coverage for personal injury or death or lost wages caused by uninsured or inadequately insured motorists. Insurance.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-seven.

AN ACT PROVIDING LIMITS OF AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH OR LOST WAGES CAUSED BY UNINSURED OR INADEQUATELY INSURED MOTORISTS.

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 1. The second paragraph of section 113C of chap-
2 ter 175 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by
3 chapter 707 of the acts of 1975, is further amended by striking
4 out, in lines 15 to 22, inclusive, the words “, additional cover-
5 age beyond that required by section one hundred and thirteen
6 L of at least fifteen thousand dollars on account of injury to
7 or death of one person and forty thousand dollars on
8 account of any one accident resulting in injury to or death
9 of more than one person” and inserting in place thereof the
10 words: — additional coverage in accordance with section one
11 hundred and thirteen L and, in addition thereto, for wages
12 lost as a result of such injury or death, of at least fifteen
13 thousand dollars for one person and at least forty thousand
14 dollars on account of any one accident resulting in two or
15 more persons suffering lost wages.

1 SECTION 2. Paragraph (1) of section 113L of said chapter
2 175, as most recently amended by chapter 380 of the acts of
3 1973, is hereby further amended by adding the following two
4 sentences: — At the option of the insured, there shall be
5 provided to persons insured hereunder coverage not exceed-
6 ing one hundred thousand dollars on account of injury to or
7 death of one person and not exceeding two hundred and fifty

8 thousand dollars on account of any one accident resulting in
9 injury to or death of more than one person. The rates for such
10 additional coverage shall be fixed and established by the com-
11 missioner.