

HOUSE No. 2649

By Mr. Connolly of Natick (by request), petition of Joshua S. Rutberg for legislation to authorize a motor vehicle insurance reduction for operators who wear seatbelts. Insurance.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Nine.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE REDUCTION FOR OPERATORS WHO WEAR SEATBELTS.

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 113B of chapter 175 of the General Laws, as appearing
2 in the 1986 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting
3 after the fourth paragraph: —

4 In fixing and establishing classification of risks, the
5 commissioner shall provide for appropriate reductions in
6 premium charges for persons who provide in their applications
7 for insurance that they shall wear seatbelts at all times when
8 operating a motor vehicle.

9 When the operator of a motor vehicle has been stopped for a
10 violation of the motor vehicle laws and is found not to be wearing
11 a seat belt, the company issuing his motor vehicle liability policy
12 shall be notified. If such person has provided on his application
13 that he would wear seatbelts at all times any reduction on
14 insurance charges shall be nullified and he shall be assessed a
15 surcharge to be determined by the commissioner.

