
By Mr. Cohen, a petition of Francis X. Bellotti, Beryl W. Cohen and another for legislation to prohibit the use of certain statements made by persons suspected of criminal offenses. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE OF CERTAIN STATEMENTS MADE BY
PERSONS SUSPECTED OF CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

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. No person shall compel any other person to in-
2 criminate himself or to answer any question, the answer to
3 which may tend to incriminate him.

1 SECTION 2. No person shall interrogate, or request any
2 statement from, an accused or a person suspected of an of-
3 fense without first informing him of the nature of the accusa-
4 tion and advising him that he does not have to make any state-
5 ment regarding the offense of which he is accused or suspected
6 and that any statement made by him may be used as evidence
7 against him in a subsequent trial.

1 SECTION 3. No statement obtained from any person in
2 violation of this act, or through the use of coercion, unlawful
3 influence, or unlawful inducement shall be received in evidence
4 against him in a subsequent trial.

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