

By Mr. O'Connor of Boston, petition of the Associated Firefighters of Massachusetts AFL-CIO for restricting the suspension of licenses to operate motor vehicles and registrations thereof of certain municipal employees for unsatisfied property damage judgments. Public Safety.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RESTRICTING THE SUSPENSION OF LICENSES TO OPERATE MOTOR VEHICLES AND REGISTRATIONS THEREOF OF CERTAIN MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES FOR UNSATISFIED PROPERTY DAMAGE JUDGMENTS.

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 22A of chapter 90 of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by striking out the second sentence, as most recently
3 amended by chapter 298 of the acts of 1964, and inserting in
4 place thereof the following sentence:— This section shall not
5 apply in any case if the registrar is satisfied as aforesaid that the
6 defendant was, at the time such injury occurred, insured against
7 loss or damage on account of his legal liability for such injury
8 by or under a policy of insurance issued by an insurance company
9 duly authorized to transact business in the commonwealth
10 under chapter one hundred and seventy-five, to the amount or
11 limit of at least five thousand dollars and that such company,
12 at the time such judgment was rendered, remained liable there-
13 under; nor shall this section apply in case the registrar is satis-
14 fied as aforesaid that it is likely that indemnity against such
15 judgment will be furnished the judgment debtor by a city or
16 town under section one hundred A of chapter forty-one; nor
17 shall this section apply in the case of a judgment rendered in an
18 action brought to recover damages for death or bodily injuries
19 as well as damages for such injury to property, unless a separate
20 finding or verdict for such property damages has been entered or
21 returned in such action, in which case the amount of damages
22 so awarded shall, for the purposes of this section, be deemed the
23 amount of the judgment.

