
By Mrs. Newman of Cambridge, petition of Thomas E. Barry for legislation to authorize the Registrar of Motor Vehicles to issue licenses for automobile mechanics. Public Safety.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE LICENSING OF AUTOMOBILE
MECHANICS.

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 7A of chapter 90 of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by adding at the end thereof the following para-
3 graphs:—

4 The registrar of motor vehicles shall issue licenses and
5 certificates for master automobile mechanics and journeyman
6 automobile mechanics.

7 The registrar may make such rules as he may deem proper
8 governing the qualifications of applicants for examination,
9 which shall take effect when approved by the general court.
10 He shall examine each applicant desiring to engage in the
11 business of repairing motor vehicles as to his practical knowl-
12 edge of automotive repair. He shall hold frequent examina-
13 tions in Boston and, twice in each year, hold examinations at
14 five other convenient places within the commonwealth.
15 Public notice shall be given of all examinations. Every
16 application for examination shall be in the handwriting of the
17 applicant who shall be notified by the registrar of the time
18 and place of examination. The registrar may, without pay-
19 ment of any fee, issue a probationary license in force for six
20 months to a person who, having worked as an apprentice, or
21 under a verbal agreement for instruction, for not less than

22 three years, presents an application therefor with the signed
23 endorsement of his employer agreeing to be responsible for all
24 work done under the license and to have the licensee, at the
25 expiration of the license, present himself for examination as a
26 journeyman.

27 They shall grant a credit of five per cent to the examina-
28 tion standing of each applicant who is a veteran, as defined in
29 clause Forty-third of section seven of chapter four; provided,
30 that such applicants make application within one year of
31 their discharge or release as aforesaid or within one year of
32 **the effective date of this paragraph, whichever date is the**
33 latest.