

HOUSE No. 3205

By Mr. Flynn of Boston, petition of John Joseph Moakley, Raymond L. Flynn and James F. Hart for legislation to require the labelling of the exhaust emission levels of all new motor vehicles prior to sale. Natural Resources and Agriculture.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT REQUIRING THE LABELING OF THE EXHAUST EMISSION LEVELS TO ALL NEW MOTOR VEHICLES PRIOR TO SALE.

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. All new 1973 and later model or year of manu-
2 facture automobiles shall display at all times before first sale,
3 in an easily readable form and in a visible place on each motor
4 vehicle, the exhaust emission levels of pollutants of said
5 production vehicle.

1 SECTION 2. Exhaust emission levels required to be labelled,
2 by Section 1, above, shall include, but will not be limited to,
3 both "grams per mile" and "grams per ton mile" of hydro-
4 carbons, oxides of nitrogen and carbon monoxides.

1 SECTION 3. The Commissioner of the Department of Public
2 Health will from time to time promulgate regulations adding
3 other pollutants for inclusion with those contained in Section
4 2, above, if in his judgment such other pollutants are a hazard
5 to public health.

1 SECTION 4. It is also required to appear on the label required
2 by Section 1, above, the following words: — "Caution: The
3 exhaust emission of this product are pollutants hazardous to
4 your health and to the health of others".

1 SECTION 5. The willful violation of the act will be punishable
2 by a fine of no less than two thousand dollars for each new

3 automobile not displaying prior to first sale, labels as required
4 herein.

1 SECTION 6. *Severability.* If any section or sections of this
2 Act are declared to be invalid or unconstitutional those sections
3 not so adjudged shall remain in force.