

HOUSE No. 5847

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, June 27, 1991. .

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom was referred the Bill relative to the registration of auto body shops (Senate, No. 604), reports recommending that the same be amended by the substitution of the accompanying bill (House, No. 5847).

For the committee,

JOHN F. COX.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE REGISTRATION OF MOTOR VEHICLE REPAIR SHOPS.

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. Section 2 of chapter 100A of the General Laws,
2 as appearing in the 1990 Official Edition, is hereby amended by
3 striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the
4 following two sentences: — No person shall engage in motor
5 vehicle repair unless such person is registered as a motor vehicle
6 repair shop under this chapter. Any person desiring to be
7 registered as a motor vehicle repair shop shall make written
8 application under oath to the director on a form provided by him.

1 SECTION 2. Section 7 of said chapter 100A, as so appearing,
2 is hereby amended by striking out the second paragraph.

1 SECTION 3. Said chapter 100A is hereby further amended by
2 striking out section 8, as so appearing, and inserting in place
3 thereof the following section: —

4 Section 8. No registered motor vehicle repair shop or other
5 person shall: (a) advertise for motor vehicle repair in the
6 commonwealth without including the number of its certificate of
7 registration issued by the director as a part of the advertisement;
8 (b) with respect to any repair paid for in whole or in part by an
9 insurer, fail to charge all or any part of the applicable deductible
10 to be paid by the insured, or give any rebate, gift, prize, premium,
11 bonus, fee or any other monetary or tangible thing to the insured
12 or any other person not in the employ of the repair shop as an
13 inducement to have the repair made at the repair shop; (c) charge
14 or offer to charge a higher rate or discount for an insured repair
15 than for an uninsured repair; (d) make any false or fraudulent

16 statement in connection with any repair or attempt to collect for
17 a repair; (e) without lawful authority, prevent the owner of a
18 motor vehicle from recovering the same.

1 SECTION 4. Section 9 of said chapter 100A, as so appearing,
2 is hereby amended by striking out, in line 1, the words: or
3 unregistered.

