

SENATE No. 210

By Mr. Lees, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 210) of Brian P. Lees for legislation to impose a mandatory sentence for motor vehicle theft. Criminal Justice.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT IMPOSING A MANDATORY SENTENCE FOR MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 266 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1988
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended in Section 28, subsection (a)
3 by striking out the first paragraph and inserting in its place the
4 following paragraph: —

5 Whoever steals a motor vehicle or trailer, whoever maliciously
6 damages a motor vehicle or trailer, whoever buys, receives,
7 possesses, conceals, or obtains control of a motor vehicle or
8 trailer, knowing or having reason to know the same to have been
9 stolen, or whoever takes a motor vehicle without the authority
10 of the owner and steals from it any of its parts or accessories, shall
11 be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for a term of not
12 less than two years nor more than fifteen years or by imprisonment
13 in a jail or house of correction for not less than six months, nor
14 more than two and one-half years or by a fine of not more than
15 fifteen thousand dollars, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

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