

HOUSE No. 3173

By Mr. Almeida of Plymouth, petition of Alfred Almeida for legislation to further regulate the registration of motor vehicles by certain veterans. Public Safety.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE REGISTRATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES BY CERTAIN VETERANS.

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 90 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking
2 out in section 2 of said chapter the first sentence of the sixth
3 paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following sen-
4 tence: —

5 The registrar shall furnish at his office, without charge, to every
6 person whose motor vehicle is registered under this chapter, two
7 number plates of suitable design, and to every person whose
8 trailer is so registered, one such number plate, having displayed
9 thereon the register number assigned to that vehicle; provided,
10 that number plates assigned to ambulances, fire engines and
11 apparatus, police patrol wagons and other vehicles used by the
12 police department of any city or town or park board or by the
13 sheriff's office of any country, solely for the official business of
14 such department, board or office, and motor vehicles used as
15 primary transportation and owned by veterans who, according to
16 the records of the United States Veterans' Administration, by
17 reason of service in the armed forces of the United States have
18 suffered loss or permanent loss of use of one or both feet; or loss
19 or permanent loss of use of one or both hands; or permanent
20 impairment of vision of both eyes of the following status: central

21 visual acuity of 20/200 or less in the better eye, with corrective
22 glasses, or central visual acuity of more than 20/200 if there is a
23 field defect in which the peripheral field has contracted to such
24 an extent that the widest diameter of visual field subtends an
25 angular distance no greater than twenty degrees in the better eye,
26 and to vehicles registered by any member of a foreign diplomatic
27 corps or by any foreign consular officer who is not a citizen of
28 the United States may be of a distinctive type or types.