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## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 28, 1909.

The committee on Mercantile Affairs, to whom was referred the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 838) of Charles Addison Malley for legislation relative to weighing and measuring devices, report, in part, the accompanying bill (House, No. 838).

For the committee,

THOMAS P. RILEY.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Nine.

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### AN ACT

Relative to the Testing and Sealing of Taximeters.

*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. The provisions of chapter sixty-two  
2 of the Revised Laws relating to the testing and  
3 sealing of weights, measures and balances shall  
4 apply to all taximeters and other forms of meas-  
5 uring devices which are used upon vehicles for  
6 determining the cost of transportation: *provided,*  
7 *however,* that the testing and sealing of such de-  
8 vices shall be performed by the commissioner of  
9 weights and measures of the commonwealth and  
10 not by the sealers of weights and measures in cities  
11 and towns. All such devices shall be tested as to  
12 the correctness of measures and values indicated  
13 by them, and the commissioner of weights and  
14 measures is empowered to make such rules and  
15 regulations as may be deemed necessary to insure  
16 accuracy in the use of such devices.

1 SECTION 2. The commissioner of weights and  
2 measures of the commonwealth shall seal such  
3 devices when tested and found to be correct or shall  
4 mark, condemn or seize such devices if incorrect,  
5 in accordance with the provisions of said chapter  
6 sixty-two applicable to weights, measures and  
7 balances, and all penalties imposed by said chapter  
8 for violation of the provisions thereof relative to  
9 weights, measures and balances shall also be ap-  
10 plicable to such devices.

1 SECTION 3. The commissioner of weights and  
2 measures shall collect a fee of one dollar for each  
3 device sealed under the provisions of this act, and  
4 such fees shall be paid monthly by the commis-  
5 sioner of weights and measures into the treasury  
6 of the commonwealth.

