

By Mr. Broadhurst of Methuen, petition of Arthur J. Broadhurst relative to attorney's fees and costs of governmental bodies in violation of the open meeting laws. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT TO FURTHER ENFORCE THE OPEN MEETING LAW.

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 11A½ of Chapter 30A, of the 2002 Official Edition, is
- 2 hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:—
- 3 Such order shall also include a civil fine against the govern-
- 4 mental body of one thousand dollars and a civil fine of five hun-
- 5 dred dollars against each attending member of the governmental
- 6 body for each meeting held in violation of this section. In addi-
- 7 tion, the Court shall assess reasonable attorney's fees and costs,
- 8 against such governmental body.

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