

HOUSE No. 3596

By Mr. Larkin of Pittsfield, petition of Peter J. Larkin relative to consumer reporting agencies. Commerce and Labor.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO CONSUMER REPORTING AGENCIES.

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 93 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting
2 after section 56, as appearing in the 1992 Official Edition, the
3 following section:—

4 Section 56A. A consumer reporting agency shall, upon the
5 addition of any adverse credit information to a consumer file held
6 by that agency, notify said consumer in writing of such addition.

7 No person shall be liable for any violation of this section if
8 such person proves by a preponderance of the evidence that such
9 person utilized reasonable procedures to assure compliance with
10 the requirements of this section.

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