

By Mr. Hillman of Sturbridge, petition of Reed V. Hillman relative to the issuance or renewal of identification cards to certain nonimmigrant aliens by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles. Public Safety.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Three.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE ISSUANCE OF IDENTIFICATION CARDS.

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. Section 8E of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as
2 appearing in the 2000 Official Edition, is hereby amended by
3 inserting in line 5, after the word "require.," the following new sen-
4 tence:—

5 Such cards shall be valid for five years except that the registrar
6 may issue or renew an identification card issued to a nonimmigrant
7 alien who is legally present in the United States, upon such terms
8 and conditions as the registrar may prescribe, an identification card
9 set to expire on the date the nonimmigrant alien is required to depart
10 the United States under the terms of the nonimmigrant alien's visa or
11 under the terms of a document issued by the United States Immigra-
12 tion and Naturalization Service.

1 SECTION 2. Said section 8E of chapter 90 of the General Laws,
2 as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting in line 8, after the
3 word "require.," the following new sentences:—

4 All applicants for an identification card shall, for the purposes of
5 establishing proper identity, provide a social security number, the
6 validity of which the registrar may confirm with the U.S. Social
7 Security Administration. The registrar shall not issue or renew an
8 identification card to any person who does not submit satisfactory
9 proof of United States citizenship or proof that the applicant's pres-
10 ence in the United States is authorized under federal law. The regis-
11 trar shall adopt regulations to carry out the purposes of this section,
12 including procedures for verifying that the applicant's presence in
13 the United States is authorized under federal law.

