

HOUSE No. 705

By Mr. Hogan of Lynn, petition of Charles V. Hogan, James M. McElroy and William J. Landergan for legislation to provide for property damage insurance in favor of municipal employees who drive municipally owned motor vehicles. Insurance.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-Six.

An Act providing for Property Damage Insurance in Favor of Officers and Employees of Cities and Towns Who drive Municipally Owned Vehicles.

1 *Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would
2 tend to defeat its purpose, which is in part to provide
3 immediate insurance against property damage for
4 officers and employees operating city-owned vehicles,
5 it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, neces-
6 sary for the immediate preservation of the public
7 convenience.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Clause one of section five of chapter forty of the
2 General Laws, as most recently amended by section
3 three of chapter three hundred and eighteen of the
4 acts of nineteen hundred and thirty-three, is hereby
5 further amended by inserting after the word "there-
6 from" in the sixth line the words: — and for injuries

7 to property, — and by adding at the end thereof the
8 words: — and not exceeding one thousand dollars on
9 account of injury to property, — so as to read as
10 follows: — (1) To pay a proper charge of an insurance
11 company for acting as surety on the official bond of
12 any town officer, or to pay a proper charge for effecting
13 insurance providing indemnity for or protection to
14 any officer or employee of the town against loss by
15 reason of his liability to pay damages to others for
16 bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting
17 therefrom and for injuries to property caused by the
18 operation, within the scope of his official duties or
19 employment, of motor or other vehicles owned by the
20 town, to an amount not exceeding five thousand
21 dollars on account of injury to or death of one person,
22 and not exceeding one thousand dollars on account of
23 injury to property.