

HOUSE No. 1074

Bill accompanying the petition of Isaac Gordon for legislation relative to the regulation of the speed of automobiles and other motor vehicles. Roads and Bridges. January 16.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twelve.

AN ACT

Relative to the Regulation of Speed of Automobiles or Other
Motor Vehicles.

*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. No automobile or other motor vehicle
2 shall be run or operated on any public highway of any
3 city or town, the gearing and other mechanical devices
4 and connections of which are so constructed as to enable
5 such automobile or other motor vehicle to attain a speed
6 exceeding thirty miles an hour.

1 SECTION 2. The term "motor vehicle" in this act
2 shall include all vehicles propelled by any power other
3 than muscular power, excepting railroad and railway
4 cars and motor vehicles running only upon rails or tracks.

1 SECTION 3. This act shall not affect or apply to auto-
2 mobiles or other motor vehicles used or operated by the
3 fire department and police department of any city or
4 town and the Boston protective department, all hospital
5 ambulances and all emergency vehicles used by any city
6 or town, public service corporations, charitable and quasi-
7 charitable corporations.

1 SECTION 4. Any person violating any provision of this
2 act shall be punished for each offence by a fine not ex-
3 ceeding two hundred dollars, or by imprisonment for a
4 term not exceeding sixty days, or by both such fine and
5 imprisonment.

1 SECTION 5. This act shall take effect on the first day
2 of January in the year nineteen hundred and thirteen.