

By Mr. Coltun of Chelsea, petition of Harry Coltun that provision be made for payment from the state treasury of rewards for information leading to arrest and conviction of persons leaving the scenes of accidents after causing bodily injury. Legal Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-Two.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF A REWARD FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF CERTAIN PERSONS LEAVING THE SCENE OF AN ACCIDENT AFTER CAUSING BODILY INJURY.

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 24 of chapter 90 of the General Laws is
2 hereby amended by inserting after paragraph 2 (c) the
3 following paragraph: —

4 2 (d). There shall be paid out of the state treasury
5 the sum of five hundred dollars, in the aggregate, to
6 any person or persons who, in consequence of such
7 offer, shall furnish information leading to the arrest
8 and conviction of any person leaving the scene of
9 an accident without making his identity known after
10 causing bodily harm or injury. A person so arrested
11 and convicted shall, in addition to any and all other
12 fines imposed, pay to the commonwealth the total
13 sum of rewards paid out under this paragraph. This
14 offer or reward shall not become effective until sixty
15 days after such accident as described aforesaid.

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1. The Constitution of the United States is the supreme law of the land.
2. Any law made in violation of the Constitution is void.
3. The judicial power of the United States is vested in the Supreme Court and such inferior courts as may be established by Congress.
4. The Supreme Court shall have appellate jurisdiction with such original jurisdiction as may be provided by the Constitution and laws of the United States.
5. The Supreme Court shall hold regular sessions twice in every year, and may adjourn from time to time.
6. The Supreme Court shall be composed of a Chief Justice and such number of Justices as may be provided by the Constitution and laws of the United States.
7. The Justices of the Supreme Court shall hold their offices during good behavior.
8. The Justices of the Supreme Court shall receive for their services such compensation as may be provided by the Constitution and laws of the United States.
9. The Justices of the Supreme Court shall be ineligible for any other civil office or employment during their continuance in office.
10. The Justices of the Supreme Court shall be impeachable and removable by the House of Representatives.
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