

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1866**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand Nine**  
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An Act making display of an invalid workers compensation certificate a criminal offense..

*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. Any employer required to maintain worker’s compensation insurance under  
2 chapter 152 of the General Laws who falsely asserts to an employee, customer or government  
3 official that the employer has an active workers’ compensation insurance policy or who presents,  
4 displays or shows a certificate of workers’ compensation insurance or certificate of self  
5 insurance when such certificate is invalid or has been cancelled, revoked, or otherwise  
6 terminated shall be punished by a fine of not less than one thousand dollars or imprisonment in a  
7 jail or house of correction for not more than two and one half years or both and shall be  
8 personally liable for any loss or damages to anyone who has relied on such false assertion or  
9 invalid certificate.