

SENATE No. 1938

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Nine

An Act Relative to Motor Vehicle Registrations..

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 3 of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-

3 A non-resident who has become a resident of the commonwealth and operates a motor
4 vehicle or trailer, shall, within 30 thirty days, register said vehicle or trailer in the commonwealth
5 according to this chapter. A vehicle or trailer not registered accordingly shall not be operated on
6 the ways of the commonwealth. Whoever operates, or allows to be operated, a motor vehicle or
7 trailer in violation of this paragraph shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$250 nor more
8 than \$500. Half of all revenue generated in conjunction with the stated violation shall be
9 retained by the municipality in which the violation occurs.

10 SECTION 2. Chapter 90 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
11 inserting after section 9D the following section:-

12 Section 9E. A motor vehicle or trailer that has been in operation for more than 30 days in
13 the aggregate in any 1 year, and whose owner qualifies as a resident under section 3 ½, shall be

14 registered according to this chapter. Whoever operates, or allows to be operated, a motor vehicle
15 or trailer in violation of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$250 for the first
16 offense and not more than \$1000 for any subsequent offense. Half of all revenue generated in
17 conjunction with the stated violation shall be retained by the municipality in which the violation
18 occurs.