

HOUSE No. 1782

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Demetrius J. Atsalis

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act requiring audible warning devices for certain motor vehicles.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Demetrius J. Atsalis</i>	<i>2nd Barnstable</i>	<i>1/20/2011</i>

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By Mr. Atsalis of Barnstable, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1782) of Demetrius J. Atsalis for legislation to require that certain commercial motor vehicles be equipped with an audible warning device which sounds when reverse gear is engaged. Transportation.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3158 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act requiring audible warning devices for certain 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. Section 7 of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the second paragraph and inserting in place
3 thereof the following paragraph:

4 Every commercial motor vehicle or trailer weighing with its load more than 7,500
5 pounds shall be equipped with an audible warning system when the vehicle’s transmission is in
6 reverse.

7 SECTION 2. Section 20 of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as amended by section 107
8 of chapter 127 of the acts of 1999, is hereby further amended by inserting after the first
9 paragraph the following paragraph:—

10 Any person convicted of a violation of the provisions of the second paragraph of section
11 seven shall be punished by a fine of \$100.