

HOUSE No. 1848

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jonathan Hecht

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 discounting vehicle registration fees for light vehicles.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/20/2011</i>
<i>Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/4/2011</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>31st Middlesex</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>
<i>Frank I. Smizik</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>
<i>William N. Brownsberger</i>		<i>1/21/2011</i>

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By Representative Mr. Hecht of Watertown, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 01848) of Sciortino and others that the Registry of Motor Vehicles be authorized to implement a discounted registration fee for certain motor vehicles. Joint Committee on Transportation.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act discounting vehicle registration fees for light 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 Chapter 90 of the General Laws of Massachusetts is amended by inserting after Section
2 33 the following Section 33A:

3 For model year 2012 and later model year vehicles which are not wholly exempt from
4 registration fees under Section 33 and which are not currently subject to a registration fee based
5 on weight, the registration fee imposed under Section 33 shall be adjusted by the registration
6 adjustment amount defined as follows. The registration adjustment amount shall be one dollar
7 multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the manufacturer reported curb weight less
8 three thousand pounds and the denominator of which is ten. In the case of hybrid or electric
9 vehicles the curb weight shall be reduced by five hundred pounds before computing the
10 registration adjustment amount. In no event shall the registration adjustment amount operate to
11 decrease the registration fee by more than twenty dollars or increase it by more than two hundred
12 dollars. The registration adjustment amount shall be rounded to the nearest whole dollar.