

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Anthony W. Petruccelli

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 relative to noncriminal disposition of parking violations.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Anthony W. Petruccelli	First Suffolk and Middlesex
Mayor Martin J. Walsh	City Hall Boston, MA
Daniel J. Hunt	13th Suffolk
Daniel J. Ryan	2nd Suffolk

SENATE DOCKET, NO. 1164 FILED ON: 1/16/2015

SENATE No. 1868

By Mr. Petruccelli, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1868) of Anthony W. Petruccelli, Mayor Martin J. Walsh, Daniel J. Hunt and Daniel J. Ryan for legislation relative to noncriminal disposition of parking violations. Transportation.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court (2015-2016)

An Act relative to noncriminal disposition of parking violations.

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 7V	of chapter	90 of the G	General Laws a	s annearing	y in the	2012
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2 Official Edition is hereby amended by adding the following subsection:-

3 (d) The registrar shall, on or before January 1, 2016 make and implement rules and

4 regulations relative to the issuance of certificates of inspection which shall provide that said

5 certificate of inspection shall not be issued to the registrant and or any person licensed to operate

6 a motor vehicle in the commonwealth, until all parking violations on record with the registrar

7 marked to the person's drivers license number, pursuant to the provisions of sections 20 and

 $8 \quad 20A^{\frac{1}{2}}$ of chapter 90, have been disposed of in accordance with the law.

- 9 SECTION 2. Section 8 of chapter 90 of the General Laws as appearing in the 2012
- 10 Official Edition is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-

11 Notwithstanding the provisions of any special or general law to the contrary the registrar

12 shall not renew or issue a new license to operate a motor vehicle in the commonwealth to any

13	person whose previous motor vehicle license is marked by the registrar for non-renewal, in
14	accordance with the provisions of sections 20A or $20A\frac{1}{2}$ of chapter 90, until such time as all
15	parking violations on record with the registrar have been disposed of in accordance with law.
16	SECTION 3. Section 20A of chapter 90 of the General Laws as appearing in the 2012
17	Official Edition is hereby amended by striking out, in line 117 the word "two" and inserting in
18	place thereof the following word:
19	one
20	SECTION 4. Said section 20A of chapter 90 as so appearing is hereby further amended
21	by inserting after the words "said vehicle", in line 119, the following words:
22	and shall not issue a new motor vehicle registration to said person
23	SECTION 5. Said section 20A of chapter 90 as so appearing is hereby further amended
24	by inserting after the word "vehicle", in line 123, the following words:
25	and an additional \$20 charge payable to the city or town in which the violation occurred,
26	shall be assessed against the registered owner of said vehicle
27	SECTION 6. Said section 20A of chapter 90 as so appearing is hereby further amended
28	by inserting after the eighth paragraph the following paragraph:
29	If any person licensed to operate a motor vehicle in the commonwealth or having a motor
30	vehicle registered in the commonwealth fails to appear in accordance with 5 or more notices the
31	parking clerk shall notify the registrar of motor vehicles who shall place the matter on record and
32	shall suspend, without a hearing, the person's license to operate a motor vehicle in the
33	commonwealth until such time as the matter has been disposed of in accordance with law. The

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34 registrar of motor vehicles shall also suspend without a hearing and shall not renew the person's 35 motor vehicle registration and shall not issue a new motor vehicle registration of any kind to said 36 person until after notice from the parking clerk that all such matters have been disposed of in 37 accordance with law. In the case of any person licensed to operate a motor vehicle in a state 38 other than the commonwealth or having a motor vehicle registered in a state other than the 39 commonwealth where said person has failed to appeal or appear in accordance with 5 of said 40 notices, notwithstanding any notification to the registrar, the parking clerk may notify the chief 41 of police or director of traffic or parking of said city or town that the vehicle involved in said 42 multiple violations shall be removed and stored, or otherwise immobilized by a mechanical 43 device, at the expense of the registered owner of said vehicle until such time as the matter has 44 been disposed of in accordance with law.

45 SECTION 7. Section 20A¹/₂ of chapter 90 of the General Laws as appearing in the 2012
46 Official Edition is hereby amended by striking out, in line 94, the word "two" and inserting in
47 place thereof the following word:--

48 one

49 SECTION 8. Said section 20A¹/₂ of chapter 90 as so appearing is hereby further amended
50 by inserting after the words "said vehicle", in line 96, the following words:--

51 and shall not issue a new motor vehicle registration to said person.

52 SECTION 9. Said section 20A¹/₂ of chapter 90 as so appearing is hereby further amended
53 by inserting after the word "vehicle", in line 100, the following words:--

- and an additional \$20 charge, payable to the city or town in which the violation occurred
 shall be assessed against the registered owner of said vehicle
- SECTION 10. Said section 20A¹/₂ of chapter 90 as so appearing is hereby further
 amended by inserting after the ninth paragraph the following paragraph:--

58 If any person licensed to operate a motor vehicle in the commonwealth or having a motor 59 vehicle registered in the commonwealth fails to appear in accordance with 5 or more notices the 60 parking clerk shall notify the registrar of motor vehicles who shall place the matter on record and 61 shall suspend, without a hearing, the person's license to operate a motor vehicle in the 62 commonwealth until such time as the matter has been disposed of in accordance with law. The 63 registrar of motor vehicles shall also suspend without a hearing and shall not renew the person's 64 motor vehicle registration and shall not issue a new motor vehicle registration of any kind to said 65 person until after notice from the parking clerk that all such matters have been disposed of in 66 accordance with law. In the case of any person licensed to operate a motor vehicle in a state 67 other than the commonwealth or having a motor vehicle registered in a state other than the 68 commonwealth where said person has failed to appeal or appear in accordance with 5 of said 69 notices, notwithstanding any notification to the registrar, the parking clerk may notify the chief 70 of police or director of traffic or parking of said city or town that the vehicle involved in said 71 multiple violations shall be removed and stored, or otherwise immobilized by a mechanical 72 device, at the expense of the registered owner of said vehicle until such time as the matter has 73 been disposed of in accordance with law.

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SECTION 11. Section 22 of chapter 90 of the General Laws as appearing in the 2012
Official Edition is hereby amended by striking out all words after "ordinance", in lines 56-59,
and inserting in place thereof the following words:--

including parking violations upon notice from the parking clerk, as provided for in
sections 20A and 20A¹/₂ of chapter 90 of the General Laws, when a person fails to appear in
accordance with five or more parking violation notices, when the parking clerk has notified the
registrar of motor vehicles.