

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John F. Quinn

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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act to protect consumers in the issuance of automobile insurance policies and bonds.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

John F. Quinn

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

9th Bristol

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1058 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine
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AN ACT TO PROTECT CONSUMERS IN THE ISSUANCE OF AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE POLICIES AND BONDS.

*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 113A of chapter 175 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2000 Official Edition, is
2 hereby amended by striking out lines 1 through 14 and inserting in place thereof the following:--
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4 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 2B 193F through 193H of this chapter, or any other contrary
5 provision of law, no motor vehicle liability policy or bond both as defined in section thirty-four A of chapter ninety,
6 including any coverage contained in the plan provided by section one hundred thirteen H of this chapter, shall be
7 issued or delivered in the commonwealth, or changed in any coverage, condition of definition in such policy or
8 bond, except by approval of the commissioner, after public notice and hearing in accordance with the procedure
9 established for the promulgation of regulations pursuant to section two of chapter thirty A, and after notice of the
10 proposed change has been given to the Financial Services Committee of the general court which notice shall be no
11 later than twenty-one days before the public hearing, or if the commissioner notifies the company in writing that in
12 his opinion the form of said policy does not comply with the laws of the commonwealth, specifying his reasons
13 therefore, provided that he shall notify the company in writing of his approval or disapproval thereof, and provided,
14 further, that such action of the commissioner shall be subject to review by the supreme judicial court, nor shall a
15 motor vehicle liability policy, as defined in section thirty-four A of chapter 90, be issued or delivered in the
16 commonwealth if it contains any exceptions or exclusions as to specified accidents or injuries or causes thereof, nor
17 unless it contains in substance the following provisions:--
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19 SECTION 2. Section one of this act shall apply to all proposed changes in motor vehicle liability bonds or policies
20 submitted on or after the effective date of this act.