

SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Mr. Tarr

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 deter the operation of a motor vehicle while intoxicated.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Mr. Tarr

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Essex and Middlesex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S02096 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT TO DETER THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE WHILE INTOXICATED.

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. The Registrar of Motor Vehicles and the Secretary of Public Safety are
2 hereby authorized and directed to develop a system whereby, following a conviction for
3 operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated by a court of the Commonwealth, and the
4 appropriate sentencing thereby, a person convicted of a second offense may be required to
5 display a placard and/or sticker containing the words “To report erratic operation of this vehicle,
6 please call _____,” including a toll-free telephone number for the reporting of said activity
7 to a centralized communications system monitored by the Department of State Police, which
8 may include but not be limited to a dedicated telephone line at the headquarters of said agency.

9 Said system shall provide for the efficient issuance of said placards and stickers, the
10 registration of these items to persons convicted of said offense, and the distribution to municipal
11 police departments of said registry information.

12 SECTION 2. Chapter 90 of the General Laws is hereby amended in the third paragraph of Section
13 24 by adding the following: -

14 “provided further that any sentence imposed pursuant to the provisions herein for the
15 conviction for two or more offenses may include the requirement that the person convicted
16 display a sticker or placard on any motor vehicle which he is operating which contains a toll free
17 number for the reporting of erratic driving, and the phrase “To report erratic operation of this
18 vehicle, please call_____.”