

HOUSE No. 1491

By Mr. Hynes of Marshfield, petition of Frank M. Hynes relative to restitution by operators of motor vehicles for property damages and medical expenses while driving under the influence. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.

AN ACT INCREASING PENALTIES FOR DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Subparagraph (1) of paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 24
2 of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2000 Official
3 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the first paragraph the
4 following paragraph:—

5 Any person who is convicted of, is placed on probation or is
6 granted a continuance without a finding for, or otherwise pleads
7 guilty to or admits to a finding of sufficient facts of operating a
8 motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor, mari-
9 juana, narcotic drugs, depressants or stimulant substances pursuant
10 to this section, shall if involved in an accident as a result thereof
11 make full restitution for all property damage and medical expenses
12 incurred by any other person involved including the replacement
13 value of any vehicle which is a complete loss.