

HOUSE No. 1866

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:
Cleon H. Turner

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 making display of an invalid workers compensation certificate a criminal offense.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Cleon H. Turner	1st Barnstable
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Jennifer M. Callahan	18th Worcester
Paul McMurtry	11th Norfolk
Robert A. O'Leary	Cape and Islands

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine
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AN ACT MAKING DISPLAY OF AN INVALID WORKERS COMPENSATION CERTIFICATE A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

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

SECTION 1. Any employer required to maintain worker's compensation insurance under chapter 152 of the General Laws who falsely asserts to an employee, customer or government official that the employer has an active workers' compensation insurance policy or who presents, displays or shows a certificate of workers' compensation insurance or certificate of self insurance when such certificate is invalid or has been cancelled, revoked, or otherwise terminated shall be punished by a fine of not less than one thousand dollars or imprisonment in a jail or house of correction for not more than two and one half years or both and shall be personally liable for any loss or damages to anyone who has relied on such false assertion or invalid certificate.