

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 1628

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

***Mark J. Cusack***

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*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 penalties for unlicensed work.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Mark J. Cusack</i>	<i>5th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/16/2025</i>

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By Representative Cusack of Braintree, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1628) of Mark J. Cusack for legislation to increase the penalties for continuing to practice a trade or profession after a certificate, registration, license or authority to do so has been suspended, revoked or cancelled. The Judiciary.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1429 OF 2023-2024.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)  
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An Act relative to penalties for unlicensed work.

*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. Subsection (a) of section 65 of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as  
2   appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the word “\$2,500” in  
3   line 5 and inserting in place thereof, the following word:- \$10,000

4           SECTION 2. Subsection (b) of section 65 of chapter 112, as so appearing, is hereby  
5   amended by striking out the word “\$1,000” in line 13 and inserting in place thereof, the  
6   following word:- \$5,000

7           SECTION 3. Subsection (b) of section 65 of chapter 112, as so appearing, is hereby  
8   amended by striking out the word “\$2,500” in line 14 and inserting in place thereof, the  
9   following word:- \$10,000

SECTION 4. Section 65A of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the word “\$1,000” in line 7 and inserting in place thereof, the following word:- \$5,000

SECTION 5. Section 65A of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the word “\$2,500” in line 8 and inserting in place thereof, the following word:- \$10,000

SECTION 6. Section 5 of chapter 141 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking the first sentence and inserting in place thereof, the following sentence:-

Any person, firm or corporation, or employee thereof, and any representative, member or officer of such firm or corporation individually, entering upon or engaging in the business and work hereinbefore defined, without having complied with this chapter, shall for the first offence be punished by a fine not to exceed \$5,000, and for a subsequent offence by a fine not to exceed \$10,000 or by imprisonment in the house of correction for six months, or both.

SECTION 7. Section 3L of chapter 143 of the General Laws, as so appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking the words “five hundred” in line 31 and inserting in place thereof, the following words:- "ten thousand"