

HOUSE No. 3113

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Elizabeth A. Poirier

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 lights for ambulances, fire apparatus and law enforcement vehicles.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Elizabeth A. Poirier

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

14th Bristol

HOUSE No. 3113

By Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3113) of Elizabeth A. Poirier relative to lights for ambulances, fire apparatus and law enforcement vehicles. Transportation.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1880 OF 2017-2018.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act relative to lights for ambulances, fire apparatus and law enforcement vehicles.

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 7E of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by inserting after the sixth paragraph the following paragraph:-

3 Notwithstanding the preceding paragraphs, a manufacturer or distributor of flashing,
4 rotating or oscillating red or blue lights for use by fire apparatus, ambulances and law
5 enforcement vehicles, may mount or display flashing, rotating or oscillating blue or red lights in
6 any direction on a vehicle registered to such manufacturer or distributor and for which the
7 manufacturer or distributor possesses a permit issued by the registrar for conducting sales
8 demonstrations; provided, however, the manufacturer or distributor shall not demonstrate or
9 engage in flashing, rotating or oscillating such lights except (i) at a location owned and operated
10 by the manufacturer or distributor; (ii) on a specific date and location to be approved in writing

11 by the chief of police of the city or town where a demonstration is to occur; (iii) in an enclosed
12 area; or (iv) in the presence of a sworn police officer or other authorized employee of a law
13 enforcement, fire or emergency response agency at their direction. The registrar may promulgate
14 rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this paragraph.