

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3188**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Thomas P. Conroy**

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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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to the gradual increase in the taxation of sales of gasoline.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Thomas P. Conroy	13th Middlesex
William N. Brownsberger	24th Middlesex
Tom Sannicandro	7th Middlesex
Paul McMurtry	11th Norfolk

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

## AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE GRADUAL INCREASE IN THE TAXATION OF SALES OF GASOLINE.

*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. Section 1 of Chapter 64A of the General Laws is hereby amended in subsection (1)  
2 by striking out “21 cents per gallon” and inserting “31 cents per gallon and shall be raised one  
3 cent per calendar quarter after July 1, 2009.”

4 SECTION 2. Chapter 64A is hereby amended by adding the following new section:

### 5 Section 14. **Disposition of Gas Tax Monies Received**

6 (1) All sums received from the excise imposed on gasoline shall be credited to the new  
7 Transportation Trust Fund and shall be credited to address the following needs:

- 8 a. Eliminating the Central Artery / Tunnel debt that resides on the balance sheets of  
9 the MTA and MBTA;
- 10 b. Preventing a further increase in Mass Turnpike tolls and ultimately the  
11 dismantling of all tolls;
- 12 c. MBTA operating and capital needs in order to keep fare and parking increases to  
13 no more than 3% per year;
- 14 d. MHD for road and bridge repair and maintenance;
- 15 e. DCR for road and bridge repair and maintenance; and
- 16 f. RTAs.