

HOUSE No. 3561

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Steven C. Owens

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 to update the Massachusetts Rideshare Program.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Steven C. Owens</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/4/2021</i>
<i>Christina A. Minicucci</i>	<i>14th Essex</i>	<i>2/24/2021</i>
<i>Lindsay N. Sabadosa</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>	<i>2/25/2021</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>

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By Mr. Owens of Watertown, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3561) of Steven C. Owens and others that the Department of Environmental Protection revise the regulations governing the rideshare program. Transportation.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 799 OF 2019-2020.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

An Act to update the Massachusetts Rideshare Program.

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. The department of environmental protection shall revise the regulations
2 governing the rideshare program, 310 CMR 7.16, to achieve the following:

3 (1) significantly expand the rideshare program by redefining affected facilities to include
4 more employers with less than 1000 employees;

5 (2) provide exemptions for employers who are members of transportation management
6 associations;

7 (3) require transportation management associations to submit reports for affected
8 facilities that are members of the associations;

9 (4) permit transportation management associations to submit consolidated reports for
10 employers within their geographic service area;

11 (5) permit employers and transportation management associations with drive-alone rates
12 under 75% to submit required reports every two years;

13 SECTION 2. The Department of Environmental Protection shall consolidate reports on
14 the ridesharing program and release to the public, at a minimum, the following information:

15 (1) the statewide drive-alone rate

16 (2) the percentage of affected facilities that have drive-alone rates below 75%

17 SECTION 3. The department shall issue the revised regulations no later than 180 days
18 after the effective date of this act.