

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 4502

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 17, 2018.

The committee on Transportation to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1794) of Bruce J. Ayers that the Highway Department evaluate certain improvements at the Furnace Brook Parkway Rotary Intersection in the city of Quincy; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1796) of Bruce J. Ayers for legislation to require operators of recreational utility vehicles to participate in a training program; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1797) of Bruce J. Ayers relative to the soundproofing program of the Massachusetts Port Authority; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1798) of Bruce J. Ayers, Steven S. Howitt and Thomas M. Stanley relative to increasing the fine for handicapped parking violations; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1799) of Bruce J. Ayers and James M. Murphy that cities and towns be authorized to issue temporary placards for handicapped parking spaces; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1801) of F. Jay Barrows, Kimberly N. Ferguson and others for legislation to regulate parasailing; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1805) of Thomas J. Calter and others relative to antique

boats, automobiles and motorcycles; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1807) of James M. Cantwell that the Registrar of Motor Vehicles be authorized to issue a distinctive motor vehicle registration plate to certain veterans awarded the “Legion of Merit”; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1811) of Gerard Cassidy and others for legislation relative to the Save Our Children's Sight Fund; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1815) of Josh S. Cutler and others relative to allowing electric vehicles in high occupancy lanes; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1821) of Daniel M. Donahue and others for legislation to authorize the use of the Highway Fund to convert private ways to public ways; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1823) of James J. Dwyer relative to operating a motor vehicle after a suspension or revocation of license; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1825) of James J. Dwyer, Timothy R. Whelan and Michael S. Day relative to exempting veterans from the standard registration fee for veterans license plates; the joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1828) of Tricia Farley-Bouvier, Jason M. Lewis and others for the establishment of a vehicle mileage user fee task force (including members of the General Court) to guide the development and evaluation of a pilot program to assess the potential for mileage-based revenue collection and other related matters; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1840) of Carlos Gonzalez and Bud Williams for legislation to establish driver education and training reform; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1847) of Steven S. Howitt and others for legislation to require that certain vehicles transporting students comply with school bus color requirements; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1848) of Steven S. Howitt for legislation to prohibited the wearing of headphones while operating a bicycle; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1849) of Kevin Brailey, Sheila C. Harrington and Michael O. Moore relative to distinctive registration plates for firefighters; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1857) of Michael J. Hyde relative to the display of motor vehicle number plates; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1862) of Marc T. Lombardo and Shaunna L. O'Connell for legislation to repeal the requirement for operators and passengers on motorcycles over the age of eighteen to wear protective headgear; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1864) of Paul W. Mark and Carlos Gonzalez that certain motor vehicle violations not be counted toward the suspension of a license, right to operate or the requirement to take part in a driver education programs; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1865) of Paul W. Mark and others for legislation to authorize

the Registrar of Motor Vehicles to issue distinctive registration plates for firefighters; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1867) of Paul McMurtry and Chris Walsh for legislation to establish a public memorial program to raise public awareness of driving fatalities and homicides on public roadways; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1873) of Jerald A. Parisella and others for legislation to exempt certain veterans from fares for the use of facilities of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority and regional transit authorities; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1874) of Jerald A. Parisella and others that the Highway Department be directed to create a timeline for interchange improvements along Route 128 from the city of Peabody to the town of Gloucester; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1878) of Elizabeth A. Poirier and others for legislation to prohibit the use of cell phones while operating a motor vehicle within school zones; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1879) of Elizabeth A. Poirier, Susan Williams Gifford and Mathew Muratore that rental car companies be required to provide renters with the ability to return a vehicle anytime on a Saturday or Sunday to any rental company branch office; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1880) of Elizabeth A. Poirier, Mathew Muratore and Richard J. Ross relative to lights for ambulances, fire apparatus and law enforcement vehicles; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1881) of Denise Provost and others for legislation to prohibit the use of cell phones while operating a motor vehicle within school zones; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1883) of Denise Provost and Jonathan Hecht relative to authorizing the establishment of recreational traffic safety zones in cities and towns; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1886) of John H. Rogers and others for legislation to require the Department of Highways to acquire a certain portion of Brook Street and Willet Pond Dam in the town of Norwood by eminent domain; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1888) of Jeffrey N. Roy and Paul McMurtry for legislation to further regulate motorcycle sound levels; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1891) of Todd M. Smola and Timothy R. Whelan that the Registrar of Motor Vehicles be authorized to issue firefighter motorcycle license plates; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1905) of John C. Velis and Donald F. Humason, Jr., for legislation to exempt private passenger vehicles registered to veterans from certain tolls; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1906) of John C. Velis and Donald F. Humason, Jr., relative to removing Massachusetts Turnpike tolls in the western part of the Commonwealth; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1909) of David T. Vieira

and Timothy R. Whelan relative to the suspension or revocation of a license or registration; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1917) of Timothy R. Whelan and others relative to procedures for motorcyclists at traffic-control signals utilizing vehicle detection devices that are operative due to the size of the motorcycle; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1918) of Donald H. Wong and Angelo L. D'Emilia relative to the licensing of nonresidents enrolled as students; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1919) of Donald H. Wong and others that the Registry of Motor Vehicles be directed to ensure the validity of operators' licenses issued to residents with student visas; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2719) of Antonio F. D. Cabral relative to language compatibility in the commercial driver licensing process; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2725) of Angelo L. D'Emilia and others for legislation to clarify the definition, testing regulations and enforcement of motorcycle sound emissions; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2740) of Paul McMurtry, James R. Miceli and Chris Walsh relative to motor vehicle driving test vehicle requirements; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2744) of Michael J. Moran and others relative to exempting certain public school buses from toll collection; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2750) of Shaunna L. O'Connell and others relative to parking for motorcycles at publicly funded facilities; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2753) of Alice Hanlon Peisch, Joseph D. McKenna and Bradford R. Hill that the Registrar of Motor Vehicles be authorized to establish a driver education curriculum presented in an online format; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2754) of Alice Hanlon Peisch relative to regulating the posting of speed limits on certain lands, roadways and parkways; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2755) of David M. Rogers, Denise Provost and Mike Connolly relative to crosswalks erected and maintained on public ways; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3431) of Jack Lewis and others for legislation to establish the commuter rail patrons' bill of rights; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3434) of Christopher M. Markey relative to providing for a negative check-off to becoming an organ or tissue donor upon license renewal; and petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3503) of Paul McMurtry and others for legislation to require gas stations to provide air compressors for free public use and establishing a hotline at the Department of Labor and Workforce Development for consumers to report non-compliance, reports

recommending the accompanying order (House, No. 4502) ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

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*House of Representatives, May 17, 2018.*

1           *Ordered,* That the committee on Transportation be authorized to sit during a recess of the  
2 General Court to make an investigation and study of House documents numbered 1794, 1796,  
3 1797, 1798, 1799, 1801, 1805, 1807, 1811, 1815, 1821, 1823, 1825, 1828, 1840, 1847, 1848,  
4 1849, 1857, 1862, 1864, 1865, 1867, 1873, 1874, 1878, 1879, 1880, 1881, 1883, 1886, 1888,  
5 1891, 1905, 1906, 1909, 1917, 1918, 1919, 2719, 2725, 2740, 2744, 2750, 2753, 2754, 2755,  
6 3431, 3434 and 3503, relative to transportation.

7           Said committee shall report to the General Court the results of its investigation and study  
8 and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such  
9 recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the Clerk of the House of Representatives  
10 on or before December 31, 2018.