

HOUSE No. 00901

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jennifer E. Benson and

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 commuter shuttles and public transportation improvements.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>
<i>Cory Atkins</i>	<i>14th Middlesex</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>William N. Brownsberger</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>

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By Ms. Jennifer E. Benson of Lunenburg, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 00901) of Jennifer E. Benson and others relative to expanding parking facilities to promote the use of commuter shuttles and public transportation. Joint Committee on Transportation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to commuter shuttles and public transportation improvements.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Whereas, the deferred operation for this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to
2 encourage the use of commuter shuttles and public transportation in the commonwealth, thereby
3 saving energy, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and reducing dependence on foreign oil,
4 therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation
5 of the public convenience.

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7 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled,

8 And by the authority of the same, as follows:

9 SECTION 1. Chapter 40 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 22C, as
10 appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

11 Section 22C. Any city or town, having installed parking meters or coin-operated locking devices
12 for bicycle parking under the provisions of section twenty-two A, may install parking meters in
13 municipally owned or leased off-street parking lots and other devices for controlling such off-
14 street parking lots, and may use any receipts from parking meters and other devices so installed
15 for the purpose of purchase or lease of additional parking lots, the care and maintenance of the
16 same, purchase or lease of any commuter shuttle or commuter shuttle services between such
17 parking lots and available public transportation, the care and maintenance of public
18 transportation station accessibility improvements, and in general for any traffic control or traffic
19 safety purposes, including payment for public liability coverage in connection with the purchase,
20 lease and use of said municipally owned or leased parking lots and commuter shuttles or
21 commuter shuttle services.