

SENATE No. 1117

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

William N. Brownsberger

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 bicycle safety.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

William N. Brownsberger

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Second Suffolk and Middlesex

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By Mr. Brownsberger, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1117) of William N. Brownsberger for legislation relative to bicycle safety and fluorescent clothing. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)

An Act relative to bicycle safety.

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 11B of chapter 85 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended in the second paragraph, clause (iii) by striking out, in line 36:- “16 years of
3 age or younger” and further amended by adding at the end thereof, the following new
4 paragraph:-

5 The Department of Public Health, or other appropriate state agency, shall pursue means
6 by which to encourage bicycle operators to wear highly-visible waist-up clothing while
7 bicycling. Such clothing should be fluorescent with reflective areas for visibility both during
8 daylight and darkness, as consistent with the American National Standards Institute 107-1999
9 Class II conspicuity standard.