

SENATE No. 1173

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Cynthia Stone Creem

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 enhancing identification of taxicab operators.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Cynthia Stone Creem

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Middlesex and Norfolk

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By Ms. Creem, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1173) of Cynthia Stone Creem for legislation to enhance identification of taxicab operators. Municipalities and Regional Government.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 1121 OF 2017-2018.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act enhancing identification of taxicab operators.

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 22 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding, at the end of the third paragraph thereof, the
3 following language:- The licensing authority that issues taxicab licenses or hackney carriage
4 licenses, shall also issue an official driver identification document, separate from a license or
5 hackney license, to be placed in the rear interior of the vehicle with the driver’s photograph,
6 name and hackney or licensing number. This document will travel with the driver from cab to
7 cab and it will be the responsibility of the driver to secure it according to the regulations of the
8 licensing authority. Each cab shall also have affixed in the interior rear of the vehicle the name or
9 the trade name of the company, company phone number and either the medallion number or

10 vehicle number. Both designated documents shall be affixed so as to be made visible to
11 passengers inside the vehicle.

12 The licensing authority may designate the manner in which they provide such
13 documentation to an authorized driver and the manner in which such document is affixed inside
14 the vehicle.