

SENATE No. 1661

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Barry R. Finegold

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 encourage the rental of electric and hybrid vehicles.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Barry R. Finegold</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>	
<i>Lori A. Ehrlich</i>	<i>8th Essex</i>	<i>1/25/2019</i>
<i>Tommy Vitolo</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Maria Duaine Robinson</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>

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By Mr. Finegold, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1661) of Barry R. Finegold, Lori A. Ehrlich, Tommy Vitolo and Maria Duaine Robinson for legislation to encourage the rental of electric and hybrid vehicles. Revenue.

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

An Act to encourage the rental of electric and hybrid vehicles.

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. Chapter 90 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
2 section 32E7/8 the following section:-

3 Section 32E15/16. There shall be a renewable energy surcharge of \$2 imposed upon each
4 vehicular rental transaction contract in the commonwealth. The surcharge shall be in accordance
5 with section 32E³/₄ and shall be deposited in the Renewable Energy Trust Fund established in
6 section 9 of chapter 23J; provided, however, that not more than \$10,000,000 collected from the
7 surcharge in a calendar year shall be deposited into the fund; and provided further, that any
8 amount collected from the surcharge above \$10,000,000 in a calendar year shall be deposited
9 into the General Fund. The surcharge shall not apply to transportation network companies or to
10 rental periods of less than 12 hours that are charged on an hourly basis. The surcharge also shall
11 not apply to vehicular rental transaction contracts for electric or hybrid vehicles.