

SENATE No. 1879

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Karen E. Spilka

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 cyclist safety.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Karen E. Spilka

Jeffrey N. Roy

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Second Middlesex and Norfolk

10th Norfolk

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By Ms. Spilka, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1879) of Karen E. Spilka and Jeffrey N. Roy for legislation relative to cyclist safety. Transportation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to cyclist 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 1. Section 2 of chapter 89 of General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by striking, in the first paragraph, the second sentence and inserting
3 in place thereof, the following:-

4 If it is not possible to overtake a bicycle or other vehicle at a distance of not less than
5 three feet in the same lane, the overtaking vehicle shall use all or part of an adjacent lane if it is
6 safe to do so or wait for an opportunity to overtake at a distance of not less than three feet.