

SENATE No. 1939

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jason M. Lewis

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 authorize license plates to encourage safe streets for bicycles.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Jason M. Lewis

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Fifth Middlesex

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By Mr. Lewis, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1939) of Jason M. Lewis for legislation to authorize license plates to encourage safe streets for bicycles. Transportation.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act to authorize license plates to encourage safe streets for bicycles.

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 2E of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following new subsection:-

3 (e) The registrar shall furnish, upon application, to the owners of private passenger motor
4 vehicles distinctive registration plates which shall display on their face a design created by the
5 Complete Streets advisory committee created in section (f) of chapter 90I of the General Laws.
6 There shall be a fee of not less than \$50 for such plates in addition to the established registration
7 fee for private passenger motor vehicles, which shall be payable at the time of registration of the
8 vehicle and at each renewal thereof. The portion of the total fee remaining after the deduction of
9 costs directly attributable to the issuance of such plates shall be directed to the Complete Streets
10 program created in chapter 90I of the General Laws. In the event of the dissolution of the
11 Complete Streets program, the registrar may (i) cease to furnish the registration plates authorized
12 in this subsection or (ii) direct the portion of the total fee remaining after the deduction of costs
13 directly attributable to the issuance of the plates to a fund or an organization exempt from

- 14 taxation under the provisions of section 501 (C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code that is related to
- 15 encouraging municipalities to regularly and routinely include complete streets design elements
- 16 and infrastructure on locally-funded roads.