

SENATE No. 2033

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Joseph A. Boncore

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 variable pricing e-tolling.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Joseph A. Boncore</i>	<i>First Suffolk and Middlesex</i>	
<i>Mike Connolly</i>	<i>26th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/28/2019</i>
<i>Michelle L. Ciccolo</i>	<i>15th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>James K. Hawkins</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>	<i>2/5/2019</i>
<i>Andres X. Vargas</i>	<i>3rd Essex</i>	<i>2/14/2019</i>

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By Mr. Boncore, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2033) of Joseph A. Boncore, Mike Connolly, Michelle L. Ciccolo, James K. Hawkins and others for legislation relative to variable pricing e-tolling. Transportation.

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

An Act relative to variable pricing e-tolling.

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 13 of chapter 6C of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following subsection:-

3 (d) The department shall design and implement a state wide program for charging toll
4 rates that are different depending on time of day, with the goal of relieving congestion for
5 motorists. The program shall be based on variable pricing, including a discount structure
6 including off-peak discounts of at least 25 per cent and peak premiums of at most 25 per cent.

7 Only vehicles with transponders issued by the commonwealth shall be eligible for discounts.

8 Provided further that the program shall commence no later than December 31, 2020. The

9 department shall transmit an annual report to the clerks of the house and senate detailing the

10 scope of the program, implementation challenges, lessons learned, and proposed next steps to use

11 tolling policies as a means to alleviate congestion on roadways.