SENATE . . No. 232

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Benjamin B. Downing

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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act enhancing school district transportation safety.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Benjamin B. Downing	Berkshire, Hampshire, Franklin and
	Hampden

SENATE No. 232

By Mr. Downing, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 232) of Benjamin B. Downing for legislation to enhance school district transportation safety. Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE

□ SENATE
□ , NO. 202 OF 2011-2012.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act enhancing school district transportation 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 7A of chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, in line 47, the following paragraph:-
- 3 "Notwithstanding subsection (a) a school district may apply to the department for 4 reimbursement of transportation costs incurred by said district for transporting a student who
- 5 resides less than one and one-half miles from the school if the route that said student would
- 6 otherwise travel does not include access to a pedestrian sidewalk, or has a documented history of
- 7 vehicular accidents."
- 8 SECTION 2. The department shall promulgate regulations to effectuate this section.