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:	
Joseph A. Boncore	First Suffolk and Middlesex	
Mike Connolly	26th Middlesex	1/28/2019
Michelle L. Ciccolo	15th Middlesex	2/1/2019
James K. Hawkins	2nd Bristol	2/5/2019
Andres X. Vargas	3rd Essex	2/14/2019
Adrian C. Madaro	1st Suffolk	4/9/2019

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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
- scope of the program, implementation challenges, lessons learned, and proposed next steps to use
- tolling policies as a means to alleviate congestion on roadways.