

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2951**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Paul Brodeur***

*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 split-screen technology.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Paul Brodeur*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*32nd Middlesex*

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By Mr. Brodeur of Melrose, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2951) of Paul Brodeur for legislation to prohibit the display of television broadcasts and other video images while operating a motor vehicle. Transportation.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 4419 OF 2013-2014.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act relative to split-screen technology.

*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 13 of Chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition,  
2 is hereby amended by striking in lines 28-30 the words “which is located in the motor vehicle at  
3 any point forward of the back of the driver’s seat, or which is visible to the driver while  
4 operating such motor vehicle” and inserting in place thereof the following words:-

5           “unless the equipment is so configured that the television broadcast or other video images  
6 are not in view of the operator of the vehicle while the motor vehicle is in motion. The  
7 provisions of the preceding sentence shall not apply to images that provide the driver with  
8 navigation and related traffic, road, and weather information; images used to enhance or  
9 supplement the driver's view forward, behind or to the sides of the motor vehicle; or images that  
10 permit the driver to monitor vehicle occupants seated rearward of the driver.”.