

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3786**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand Nine**  
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An Act increasing access to medical care for veterans..

*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 5 of Chapter 161A of the General Laws is hereby 2 amended by adding at the end  
2 thereof the following paragraph:— (s) The authority and any regional or local transportation  
3 authority in the Commonwealth shall permit any veteran, as certified by the United States  
4 Department of Defense, to use commuter rail, subway, bus, shuttle and boat services at no cost to  
5 said veteran; provided that said veteran is utilizing transportation to travel to or from a Veterans  
6 Administration hospital for medical care; and provided further, that said veteran presents proof  
7 of a medical appointment on the date of travel in the form of a notice from the Veterans  
8 Administration indicating the veteran’s name and the date and location of said appointment.