

HOUSE No. 3100

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Elizabeth A. Malia

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 speed limits.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Thomas M. Menino</i>	<i>Boston City Hall, 9th floor Boston, MA</i>	
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>	
<i>Carlo Basile</i>	<i>1st Suffolk</i>	
<i>Martin J. Walsh</i>	<i>13th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/21/2013</i>
<i>John Hart, Jr.</i>	<i>First Suffolk</i>	
<i>Martha M. Walz</i>	<i>8th Suffolk</i>	
<i>William Smitty Pignatelli</i>	<i>4th Berkshire</i>	
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>	

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By Ms. Malia of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3100) of Thomas M. Menino and others for legislation to establish reasonable and proper speed limits inside an urban district on public ways. Transportation.

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to speed limits.

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 1 of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the definition of “Fullmount” the following
3 new definition:-

4 “Functionally classified local road”, a roadway classified by the Federal Highway
5 Administration’s functional classification system guidelines at the lowest level of mobility by
6 allowing access to abutting or adjacent land, serving local trip purposes and providing a
7 connection to other ways.

8 SECTION 2. Said section 1 of said chapter 90, as so appearing, is hereby further
9 amended by inserting after the definition of “Trailer” the following new definition:-

10 “Urban district”, the territory contiguous to any functionally classified local road which is
11 built up with structures devoted to business, or the territory contiguous to any functionally
12 classified local road where the dwelling houses are situated at such distances as will average less
13 than 100 feet between them for a distance of an eighth of a mile or over.

14 SECTION 3. Section 17 of Chapter 90, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting,
15 in line 7, after the words “business district” the following words: -

16 other than an urban district

17 SECTION 4. Section 17 of said chapter 90, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
18 striking out, in line 13, the words “or (4)” and inserting in place thereof the following:-

19 (4) inside an urban district at a rate of speed exceeding 25 miles per hour for a distance of
20 50 yards, or (5).