

**SENATE . . . . . No. 931**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Cynthia S. Creem*

*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 enhancing identification of taxicab operators.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Cynthia S. Creem*

*First Middlesex and Norfolk*

*Martha M. Walz*

*8th Suffolk*

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By Ms. Creem, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 931) of Cynthia S. Creem and Martha M. Walz for legislation to enhance identification of taxicab operators. Municipalities and Regional Government.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 2180 OF 2011-2012.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act enhancing identification of taxicab operators.

*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 22 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition,  
2 is hereby amended by adding, at the end of the third paragraph thereof, the following sentences:-  
3 The licensing authority that issues taxicab licenses or hackney carriage licenses, shall also issue  
4 an official identifying document, separate from a license or hackney license, to be placed in the  
5 rear interior of the vehicle with the drivers identifying picture, name and hackney or licensing  
6 number. This document shall be formatted so as to travel with the operator from cab to cab.  
7 Each cab shall also have affixed in the interior rear of the vehicle the name or the trade name of  
8 the company, company phone number and either the medallion number or vehicle number. Both  
9 designated documents shall be visibly affixed either on the partition behind the head of the driver  
10 or on the head rest of the driver so as to be made visible to passengers inside the vehicle.

11           The licensing authority may designate the manner in which they provide such  
12 documentation to an authorized driver and the manner in which such document is affixed inside  
13 the vehicle.