

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3540**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Daniel Cullinane*

*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 the composition of the board of directors of the Massachusetts Port Authority.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Daniel Cullinane</i>	<i>12th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/15/2015</i>
<i>Daniel J. Ryan</i>	<i>2nd Suffolk</i>	<i>1/2/2020</i>
<i>Daniel J. Hunt</i>	<i>13th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/2/2020</i>
<i>William N. Brownsberger</i>	<i>Second Suffolk and Middlesex</i>	<i>1/2/2020</i>
<i>Angelo M. Scaccia</i>	<i>14th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/2/2020</i>
<i>Russell E. Holmes</i>	<i>6th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/3/2015</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>	<i>1/2/2020</i>

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By Mr. Cullinane of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3540) of Daniel Cullinane and others relative to the composition of the board of directors of the Massachusetts Port Authority. Transportation.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act relative to the composition of the board of directors of the Massachusetts Port Authority.

*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to forthwith modify the composition of the Massachusetts Port Authority, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

*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. The second paragraph of section 2 of chapter 465 of the acts of 1956, most  
2 recently amended by section 54 of chapter 46 of the acts of 2013, is hereby further amended by  
3 striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following 3 sentences:- The  
4 Authority shall consist of 8 members. Seven members shall be appointed by the governor, 1 of  
5 whom shall be nominated by the mayor of the city of Boston. One member shall be appointed by  
6 the Massachusetts Port Authority Community Advisory Committee in accordance with this act  
7 and according to the by-laws of said Committee.

8           SECTION 2. Said section 2 of said chapter 465 hereby further amended by striking out,  
9 in line 15, the word “four” and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- 5

10           SECTION 3. The second paragraph of said section 2 of said chapter 465 is hereby  
11 amended by striking out the sixth sentence and inserting in place thereof the following 2  
12 sentences:- Each member of the Authority appointed by the governor or by the Massachusetts  
13 Port Authority Community Advisory Committee may be removed by the governor, with the  
14 advice and consent of the council, for misfeasance, malfeasance or willful neglect of duty but  
15 only after reasonable notice and a public hearing unless the same are in writing expressly  
16 waived. The member of the Authority nominated by the mayor of the city of Boston and  
17 appointed by the governor may be removed by the governor, in consultation with the mayor of  
18 the city of Boston, for misfeasance, malfeasance or willful neglect of duty but only after  
19 reasonable notice and a public hearing unless the same are in writing expressly waived.

20           SECTION 4. The fifth paragraph of said section 2 of said chapter 465 is hereby amended  
21 by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:- Five  
22 members of the Authority shall constitute a quorum and the affirmative vote of 5 members shall  
23 be necessary for any action taken by the Authority.