

SENATE No. 1117

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

William N. Brownsberger

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 bicycle safety.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

William N. Brownsberger

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Second Suffolk and Middlesex

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By Mr. Brownsberger, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1117) of William N. Brownsberger for legislation relative to bicycle safety and fluorescent clothing. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act relative to bicycle safety.

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 11B of chapter 85 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended in the second paragraph, clause (iii) by striking out, in line 36:- “16 years of
3 age or younger” and further amended by adding at the end thereof, the following new
4 paragraph:-

5 The Department of Public Health, or other appropriate state agency, shall pursue means
6 by which to encourage bicycle operators to wear highly-visible waist-up clothing while
7 bicycling. Such clothing should be fluorescent with reflective areas for visibility both during
8 daylight and darkness, as consistent with the American National Standards Institute 107-1999
9 Class II conspicuity standard.