

SENATE No. 1850

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jason M. Lewis

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 to authorize license plates to encourage safe streets for bicycles.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Jason M. Lewis

Michael O. Moore

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Fifth Middlesex

Second Worcester

SENATE No. 1850

By Mr. Lewis, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1850) of Jason M. Lewis and Michael O. Moore for legislation to authorize license plates to encourage safe streets for bicycles. Transportation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act to authorize license plates to encourage safe streets for bicycles.

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 2E of chapter 90 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as appearing
2 in the 2014 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following new subsection:-

3 (e) The registrar shall furnish, upon application, to the owners of private passenger motor
4 vehicles distinctive registration plates which shall display on their face a design created by the
5 Complete Streets advisory committee created in section (f) of Chapter 90I of the General Laws.
6 There shall be a fee of not less than \$50 for such plates in addition to the established registration
7 fee for private passenger motor vehicles, which shall be payable at the time of registration of the
8 vehicle and at each renewal thereof. The portion of the total fee remaining after the deduction of
9 costs directly attributable to the issuance of such plates shall be directed to the Complete Streets
10 program created in chapter 90I of the General Laws. In the event of the dissolution of the
11 Complete Streets program, the registrar may (i) cease to furnish the registration plates authorized
12 in this subsection or (ii) direct the portion of the total fee remaining after the deduction of costs

13 directly attributable to the issuance of the plates to a fund or an organization exempt from
14 taxation under the provisions of section 501 (C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code that is related to
15 encouraging municipalities to regularly and routinely include complete streets design elements
16 and infrastructure on locally-funded roads.