

SENATE No. 1879

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Karen E. Spilka

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 cyclist safety.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Karen E. Spilka</i>	<i>Second Middlesex and Norfolk</i>
<i>Jeffrey N. Roy</i>	<i>10th Norfolk</i>

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By Ms. Spilka, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1879) of Karen E. Spilka and Jeffrey N. Roy for legislation relative to cyclist safety. Transportation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to cyclist 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 1. Section 2 of chapter 89 of General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by striking, in the first paragraph, the second sentence and inserting
3 in place thereof, the following:-

4 If it is not possible to overtake a bicycle or other vehicle at a distance of not less than
5 three feet in the same lane, the overtaking vehicle shall use all or part of an adjacent lane if it is
6 safe to do so or wait for an opportunity to overtake at a distance of not less than three feet.