

SENATE No. 2354

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 sight-seeing vehicle safety.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>William N. Brownsberger</i>	<i>Second Suffolk and Middlesex</i>	
<i>William M. Straus</i>	<i>10th Bristol</i>	<i>6/10/2016</i>
<i>Jay D. Livingstone</i>	<i>8th Suffolk</i>	<i>6/13/2016</i>
<i>Joseph A. Boncore</i>	<i>First Suffolk and Middlesex</i>	<i>6/13/2016</i>
<i>Thomas M. McGee</i>	<i>Third Essex</i>	<i>6/13/2016</i>
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>	<i>6/13/2016</i>
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>	<i>6/13/2016</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>	<i>6/13/2016</i>
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>	<i>6/13/2016</i>
<i>Kathleen O'Connor Ives</i>	<i>First Essex</i>	<i>6/13/2016</i>
<i>Sonia Chang-Diaz</i>	<i>Second Suffolk</i>	<i>6/14/2016</i>
<i>Carmine L. Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>	<i>6/14/2016</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>	<i>6/15/2016</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>	<i>6/15/2016</i>
<i>Michael J. Barrett</i>	<i>Third Middlesex</i>	<i>6/15/2016</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	<i>6/16/2016</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>	<i>6/16/2016</i>
<i>John J. Lawn, Jr.</i>	<i>10th Middlesex</i>	<i>6/17/2016</i>

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By Mr. Brownsberger, a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of William N. Brownsberger, William M. Straus, Jay D. Livingstone, Joseph A. Boncore and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to sight-seeing vehicle safety. Transportation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to sight-seeing vehicle 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 1 of chapter 90, as appearing in the 2014 Official Edition of the
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting the following definitions:-

3 “Amphibious Vehicle”, any motored vehicle that is designed to operate both on land and
4 in the water including but not limited to those vehicles commonly referred to as DUKWs,
5 LARCs, Stalwarts, hybrids and United States Coast Guard Certified Amphibians.

6 “Sight-Seeing Vehicle”, any motor vehicle used for the carrying, for a consideration, of
7 persons for sight-seeing, touring or similar activities.

8 SECTION 2. Section 7 of chapter 90, as so appearing is hereby amended by adding the
9 following paragraph at the end thereof:-

10 Every Amphibious Vehicle operating on the public ways must be equipped with blind
11 spot cameras and proximity sensors conforming with such standards as the registrar may
12 prescribe.

13 SECTION 3. Section 13 of chapter 90, as so appearing is hereby amended by inserting
14 the following sentence at the end thereof:-

15 “No person, when operating a sight-seeing vehicle, shall at the same time provide a guide
16 service, narrate history, identify landmarks, sights or otherwise provide entertainment or
17 information.”

18 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect on April 1, 2017.