

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2727**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Diana DiZoglio, (BY REQUEST)***

*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 enhancing recycling machines at Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority facilities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Michael Rossi</i>	<i>24 Smith Avenue, Methuen, MA 01844</i>	<i>1/20/2017</i>
<i>Thomas J. Calter</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>	
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>	
<i>Daniel J. Ryan</i>	<i>2nd Suffolk</i>	
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	
<i>Natalie Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>	

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By Ms. DiZoglio of Methuen (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2727) of Michael Rossi and others for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to enhancing recycling machines at Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority facilities. Transportation.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 4020 OF 2015-2016.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act relative to enhancing recycling machines at Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority facilities.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1           There shall be established, pursuant to section 2A of chapter 4 of the General Laws, a  
2 special legislative commission to study the feasibility of installing reverse vending machines, so-  
3 called, at mass transit facilities maintained by the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority,  
4 which, for the purposes of this act, shall include terminals, stations and garages, in order to  
5 encourage and facilitate recycling. The commission shall study and report on: (i) the  
6 implementation costs and potential economic and environmental benefits of installing these  
7 machines; and (ii) the feasibility and administrative cost of administering reimbursements for  
8 recycled items as credits on stored-value cards to be used for the payment of fares charged by the  
9 Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority.

10           The commission shall consist of seven members: two members of the house of  
11 representatives, one of whom shall be the house chair of the joint committee on transportation,  
12 and one of whom shall be the house chair of the joint committee on the environment, natural  
13 resources and agriculture; one members of the senate, one of whom shall be the senate chair of  
14 the joint committee on transportation, and one of whom shall be the senate chair of the joint  
15 committee on environment, natural resources and agriculture; and 3 of whom shall be appointed  
16 by the governor, as follows: one of whom shall be a representative from the department of  
17 transportation; 1 of whom shall be a representative from the department of environmental  
18 protection; and 1 of whom shall be a member of a non-profit organization dedicated to  
19 environmentally conscious technologies.

20           All commission appointments shall be made not later than 60 days after the effective date  
21 of this act. The first meeting of the commission shall take place not later than 90 days after the  
22 effective date of this act. The commission shall submit its final report with recommendations,  
23 together with drafts of recommended legislation or regulations, if any, to the clerks of the house  
24 of representatives and the senate not later than one year following the first meeting of said  
25 commission.