

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 913**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***James M. Murphy***

*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 public safety on roadways and transit.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>James M. Murphy</i>	<i>4th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/19/2017</i>

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By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 913) of James M. Murphy relative to the penalties for impeding or disrupting a public way. The Judiciary.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1505 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 public safety on roadways and transit.

*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: Chapter 269 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014 Official Edition,  
2 is hereby amended by adding the following section:

3 Section 7A: If any of the persons so unlawfully assembled, willfully impedes and or  
4 intentionally disrupts a public “way” as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 90, a “State Highway  
5 System” or” State Public Transit System” as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 6c, or a “Railroad or  
6 Railway” as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 160 shall be punished by imprisonment in the state  
7 prison for not more than five years or by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars and  
8 imprisonment in jail for not more than two years.