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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Patricia A. Haddad***

*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 compliance with police officers during motor vehicle stops.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Patricia A. Haddad</i>	<i>5th Bristol</i>	<i>11/9/2017</i>

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By Mrs. Haddad of Somerset, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Patricia A. Haddad relative to complying with police officers during motor vehicle stops. The Judiciary.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act relative to compliance with police officers during motor vehicle stops.

*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 21 of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the figure “24G”, in line 43, the following  
3 words:- , or whoever refuses to obey the lawful commands of a police officer in violation of  
4 section 25A.

5           SECTION 2. Said chapter 90 is hereby amended by inserting after section 25, as so  
6 appearing, the following section:-

7           Section 25A. Whoever, while operating or in charge of a motor vehicle or riding as a  
8 passenger in a motor vehicle, shall refuse to obey the lawful commands of a police officer,  
9 including, but not limited to: (i) stay where you are; (ii) don’t move; (iii) place your hands on the  
10 steering wheel; (iv) get out of the vehicle; (v) get into the vehicle; or (vi) any other command  
11 used to maintain control for the protection of the occupants of the motor vehicle and the police  
12 officer shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000. A conviction of a violation of this

13 section shall revoke the license or right to operate of the person so convicted for not more than 6  
14 months.