

SENATE No. 1919

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Linda Dorcena Forry

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 increased passenger safety.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Linda Dorcena Forry

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Suffolk

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By Ms. Forry, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1919) of Linda Dorcena Forry for legislation relative to increased passenger safety. Transportation.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act relative to increased passenger 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 Chapter 159A ½ is hereby amended in section 4 by inserting at the end of subsection (c)
2 the following two paragraphs: --

3 The division shall conduct fingerprint-based checks of the state and national criminal
4 history databases, as authorized by 28 CFR 20.33 and Public Law 92-544. The fingerprint-based
5 checks shall be conducted on any applicant seeking to be a driver. Authorized department staff
6 may receive all criminal offender record information and the results of checks of state and
7 national criminal history databases under said Public Law 92-544. When the department obtains
8 the results of checks of state and national criminal history databases, it shall treat the information
9 according to sections 167 to 178, inclusive, of chapter 6 and the regulations thereunder regarding
10 criminal offender record information.

11 Fingerprints shall be submitted to the identification section of the department of state
12 police for a state criminal history check and forwarded to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for

13 a national criminal history check, according to the policies and procedures established by the
14 state identification section and by the department of criminal justice information services.
15 Fingerprint submissions may be retained by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the state
16 identification section and the department of criminal justice information services to assist the
17 department in its review of suitability for initial or continued employment. The department of
18 criminal justice information services may disseminate the results of a state and national criminal
19 history check to the department to determine the suitability of an applicant that is consistent with
20 the provisions of this section. The division shall promulgate rules and regulations for
21 implementing the fingerprinting process, including the recovery of cost associated with this
22 program from the transportation network company.