

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2986**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Daniel R. Cullinane***

*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 the composition of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Port Authority.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Daniel R. Cullinane</i>	<i>12th Suffolk</i>
<i>Daniel J. Hunt</i>	<i>13th Suffolk</i>
<i>Angelo M. Scaccia</i>	<i>14th Suffolk</i>
<i>Liz Miranda</i>	<i>5th Suffolk</i>
<i>Daniel J. Ryan</i>	<i>2nd Suffolk</i>
<i>Joseph A. Boncore</i>	<i>First Suffolk and Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Cullinane of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2986) of Daniel R. Cullinane and others relative to the composition of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Port Authority. Transportation.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**

An Act relative to the composition of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Port Authority.

*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. The second paragraph of section 2 of chapter 465 of the acts of 1956, as  
2 amended by section 54 of chapter 46 of the acts of 2013, is hereby amended by striking out the  
3 first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:-

4 The Authority shall consist of 8 members; 6 of whom shall be appointed by the governor,  
5 1 of whom shall be appointed by the Massachusetts Port Authority Community Advisory  
6 Committee in accordance with this act and according to the by-laws of said Committee, and 1 of  
7 whom shall be appointed by the mayor of the city of Boston in accordance with this act.

8 SECTION 2. The second paragraph of said section 2 of said chapter 465 of the acts of  
9 1956, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the third sentence and inserting  
10 in place thereof the following sentence:-

11 Not more than five of such members shall be of the same political party, and shall include  
12 persons with extensive experience in the fields of engineering, finance and commerce, and shall  
13 include a bona fide representative of a national or international labor organization, free of  
14 communist influence or domination which organization shall have the nature of its interests and  
15 employment directly and continually related to the scope of the activity of the Authority.

16 SECTION 3. The second paragraph of said section 2 of said chapter 465 of the acts of  
17 1956, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the seventh sentence and  
18 inserting in place thereof the following sentences:-

19 Each member of the Authority appointed by the governor or by the Massachusetts Port  
20 Authority Community Advisory Committee may be removed by the governor, with the advice  
21 and consent of the council, for misfeasance, malfeasance or willful neglect of duty but only after  
22 reasonable notice and a public hearing unless the same are in writing expressly waived. The  
23 member of the Authority appointed by the mayor of the city of Boston may be removed by the  
24 mayor of the city of Boston for cause.

25 SECTION 4. The fifth paragraph of section 2 of chapter 465 of the acts of 1956, as so  
26 appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place  
27 thereof the following sentence:-

28 Five members of the Authority shall constitute a quorum and the affirmative vote of five  
29 members shall be necessary for any action taken by the Authority.

30 SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.