

HOUSE No.**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

David F. DeCoste

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 prohibiting the Commonwealth from participating in the transportation climate initiative.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>	<i>12/20/2019</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>	<i>12/20/2019</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>	<i>12/23/2019</i>
<i>Nicholas A. Boldyga</i>	<i>3rd Hampden</i>	<i>12/23/2019</i>
<i>Marc T. Lombardo</i>	<i>22nd Middlesex</i>	<i>12/24/2019</i>
<i>Shaunna L. O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>	<i>12/24/2019</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	<i>12/26/2019</i>
<i>Shawn Dooley</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>	<i>12/27/2019</i>
<i>Patrick Joseph Kearney</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>	<i>12/27/2019</i>
<i>Alyson M. Sullivan</i>	<i>7th Plymouth</i>	<i>12/27/2019</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>	<i>12/27/2019</i>
<i>Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>	<i>12/27/2019</i>
<i>Ryan C. Fattman</i>	<i>Worcester and Norfolk</i>	<i>12/27/2019</i>

HOUSE No.

By Mr. DeCoste of Norwell, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of David F. DeCoste and others relative to legislative approval for certain agencies to engage in certain transportation climate initiatives. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act prohibiting the Commonwealth from participating in the transportation climate initiative.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to forthwith prohibit the Commonwealth from participating in the transportation climate initiative, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

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

1 Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Commonwealth of
2 Massachusetts shall not join, implement, or participate in any state, regional, or national low
3 carbon fuel standards program or any similar program that requires quotas, caps, or mandates on
4 any fuels used for transportation, industrial purposes, or home heating without seeking and
5 receiving prior legislative approval from the General Court; provided however, that the
6 Massachusetts Department of Transportation, the executive office of energy and environmental
7 affairs, the department of environmental protection and the department of energy resources may
8 engage in regional and national discussions of such programs.

9 The Massachusetts Department of Transportation, the executive office of energy and
10 environmental affairs, the department of environmental protection and the department of energy
11 resources shall report all expenses resulting from its discussions to the house and senate
12 committees on ways and means committee of the general court on a semi-annual basis.

13 Nothing in this act shall be construed to affect or modify the provisions of section 22 of
14 chapter 21A or chapter 21N of the General Laws.