

SENATE No. 1982

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John F. Keenan

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 wifi and cellular infrastructure along rail lines.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | |
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| <i>John F. Keenan</i> | <i>Norfolk and Plymouth</i> | |
| <i>Bruce J. Ayers</i> | <i>1st Norfolk</i> | <i>1/29/2019</i> |
| <i>Tackey Chan</i> | <i>2nd Norfolk</i> | <i>1/31/2019</i> |
| <i>Daniel J. Hunt</i> | <i>13th Suffolk</i> | <i>2/1/2019</i> |

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By Mr. Keenan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1982) of John F. Keenan, Bruce J. Ayers, Tackey Chan and Daniel J. Hunt for legislation relative to wifi and cellular infrastructure along rail lines. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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

An Act relative to wifi and cellular infrastructure along rail lines.

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. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the
2 contrary, the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority or its successors, including but not
3 limited to the Division of Public Transit in the Massachusetts Surface Transportation Authority
4 shall be prohibited from constructing, erecting, placing and/or maintaining any monopoles or
5 antennae to support wi-fi or cellular service within the City of Quincy and the towns of
6 Braintree, Holbrook, Abington, and Rockland, without approval from the local governing
7 authority, which in a city having a Plan D or Plan E charter by the affirmative vote of a majority
8 of all the members of the city council, in a city not having such a charter by vote of the city
9 council, subject to the provisions of the charter of such a city, and in a town by a majority vote of
10 the board of selectmen.