

SENATE No. 2192

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

SENATE, April 4, 2019

The committee on Transportation, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2055) of Joanne M. Comerford, Rebecca L. Rausch, Michael J. Barrett, Natalie M. Blais and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to gender identity on Massachusetts identification,- reports the accompanying bill (Senate, No. 2192).

For the committee,
Joseph A. Boncore

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An Act relative to gender identity on Massachusetts identification.

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. Chapter 90 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
2 section 8M the following section:-

3 Section 8N. The registry of motor vehicles shall permit a person submitting an
4 application under sections 8, 8B, or 8E of this chapter or section 34B of chapter 138 to designate
5 “X” for gender in lieu of “male” or “female” on an application for a driver’s license, learner’s
6 permit, identification card or liquor purchase identification card. No documentation shall be
7 required for such designations.

8 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding any other general or specific law to the contrary, the
9 registry of motor vehicles shall, not later than November 1, 2019, permit a person submitting an
10 application under sections 8, 8B, or 8E of chapter 90 or section 34B of chapter 138 to designate
11 “X” for gender in lieu of “male” or “female” on an application for a driver’s license, learner’s
12 permit, identification card or liquor purchase identification card. No documentation shall be
13 required for such designations.

14 SECTION 3. The registrar of motor vehicles may promulgate regulations to implement
15 this act. The regulations may be amended, as appropriate, to allow for a person submitting an
16 application under sections 8, 8B or 8E of chapter 90 or section 34B of chapter 138 to designate
17 “X” and additional designations for gender in lieu of “X”, “male” or “female” if such additional
18 designation appropriately reflects the gender identity of applications.

19 SECTION 4. Section 1 shall take effect on November 1, 2019.