

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2585**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

***Sonia Chang-Diaz***

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*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 establishing a sick leave bank for Jose Lopez, an employee of the Department of Transportation.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Sonia Chang-Diaz*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Second Suffolk*

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By Ms. Chang-Diaz, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2585) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Sonia Chang-Diaz for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Jose Lopez, an employee of the Department of Transportation. Public Service.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**  
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An Act establishing a sick leave bank for Jose Lopez, an employee of the Department of Transportation.

*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith a sick leave bank for a certain employee of the Massachusetts department of transportation, 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 or rule or regulation to the contrary, the  
2   Massachusetts Department of Transportation shall establish a sick leave bank for Jose Lopez, an  
3   employee of the department. Any employee of the department may voluntarily contribute to Jose  
4   Lopez 1 or more sick, personal or vacation days to the sick leave bank for use by Jose Lopez.  
5   Sick leave bank days shall not be used for absences unrelated to the parental leave that  
6   necessitated the establishment of the sick leave bank as determined by the department. Whenever  
7   Jose Lopez terminates employment with the department or requests to dissolve the sick leave  
8   bank, any remaining time in the sick leave bank shall be transferred to the extended illness leave  
9   bank.