

**SENATE . . . . . No. 965**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Edward J. Kennedy*

*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 incentivizing the use of public transportation by jurors.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Edward J. Kennedy</i>	<i>First Middlesex</i>	
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>

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By Mr. Kennedy, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 965) of Edward J. Kennedy and James B. Eldridge for legislation relative to the use of public transportation by jurors. The Judiciary.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

An Act incentivizing the use of public transportation by jurors.

*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 234A of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
2 section 55 the following section:-

3 SECTION 55A

4 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

5 Section 1. For days in which a juror actually appeared as directed to perform juror  
6 service, a juror shall be entitled to the use of services provided by the Massachusetts Bay  
7 Transportation Authority or any regional transit authority, as established by Chapter 161B  
8 Section 3 of the General Laws, without suffering any monetary loss.

9 Section 2. The benefit established in this section shall not be issued by means of  
10 reimbursement issued by the courts of the Office of Jury Commissioner.