## **HOUSE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 479**

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Josh S. Cutler

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 HOV lane access during a state of emergency.

PETITION OF:

Name:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Josh S. Cutler	6th Plymouth	2/5/2021

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By Mr. Cutler of Pembroke, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 479) of Josh S. Cutler relative to high-occupancy vehicle lane access during a state of emergency. Covid-19 and Emergency Preparedness and Management.

## The Commonwealth of Alassachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court (2021-2022)

An Act relative to HOV lane access during a state of emergency.

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 19, chapter 90 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
- 2 section 19L the following:-
- 3 Section 1. (a) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, any motor
- 4 vehicle operator designated as a medical professional or first responder shall be authorized to
- 5 travel on lanes designated for use by high-occupancy vehicles during a state of emergency.
- 6 (b) The secretary of transportation shall issue those regulations it considers necessary or
- 7 appropriate to implement this act.