HOUSE DOCKET, NO. 3195 FILED ON: 2/18/2021

HOUSE . . . . . No. 482

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Peter J. Durant

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 providing for freedom of commerce and personal travel within Massachusetts.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Peter J. Durant	*6th Worcester*	*2/18/2021*
David F. DeCoste	*5th Plymouth*	*2/22/2021*
Shawn Dooley	*9th Norfolk*	*2/24/2021*
Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.	*5th Worcester*	*2/26/2021*

HOUSE DOCKET, NO. 3195 FILED ON: 2/18/2021

HOUSE . . . . . No. 482

By Mr. Durant of Spencer, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 482) of Peter J. Durant and others relative to prohibiting travel of persons from outside the Commonwealth. Covid-19 and Emergency Preparedness and Management.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act providing for freedom of commerce and personal travel within Massachusetts.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding chapter 639 of the acts of 1950 or any general or special law or executive order to the contrary, no order shall be issued by the commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof, prohibiting travel of persons from outside the commonwealth into the commonwealth; provided, that no such person shall be required to be tested for the presence of the novel coronavirus or antibodies from the disease known as COVID-19 prior to, or upon, entry into the commonwealth; and provided further, that no order, regulation or rule shall be issued restricting a person subject to quarantine from leaving the commonwealth.

No person entering the commonwealth shall be subject to punishment or civil fine for the failure to, among other things: (i) be tested for the presence of the novel coronavirus or antibodies from the disease known as COVID-19; (ii) quarantine upon arrival in Massachusetts; (iii) engage in travel within the commonwealth outside of self-imposed quarantine; or (iv)

register personal information with the commonwealth or any political subdivision of the commonwealth.

SECTION 2. Nothing in this act shall be interpreted to conflict with applicable federal law or regulation.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage.