

SENATE No. 1582

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Ryan C. Fattman

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 to provide automated external defibrillators in all public safety vehicles.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Ryan C. Fattman</i>	<i>Worcester and Norfolk</i>	
<i>Shawn Dooley</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>	<i>3/19/2021</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	<i>3/24/2021</i>
<i>Steven G. Xiarhos</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>	<i>4/8/2021</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	<i>4/12/2021</i>

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By Mr. Fattman, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1582) of Ryan C. Fattman, Shawn Dooley, Patrick M. O'Connor, Steven G. Xiarhos and others for legislation to provide automated external defibrillators in all public safety vehicles. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

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

An Act to provide automated external defibrillators in all public safety vehicles.

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 29 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2018 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by inserting after 2ZZZZ the following section:-

3 Section 2ZZZZ. There shall be established and set upon the books of the commonwealth
4 a separate fund to be known as the Automatic External Defibrillator Trust Fund. The secretary of
5 public safety and security shall administer the fund and make expenditures from the fund in the
6 form of grants to municipalities for the purchase of automated external defibrillators for public
7 safety and first responder vehicles. The fund shall be credited with: (i) any revenue from
8 appropriations or other monies authorized by the general court and specifically designated to be
9 credited to the fund; (ii) any gifts, grants, private contributions or investment income earned on
10 the assets of the fund; and (iii) revenues, not more than \$1,000,000 in a calendar year. Any
11 money in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not revert to the General Fund but shall remain
12 available for expenditure in subsequent fiscal years. The secretary shall annually, not later than

13 December 31, report on the activity of the fund to the clerks of the senate and house of
14 representatives and the senate and house committees on ways and means.

15 SECTION 2. Chapter 33 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
16 inserting after section 7E the following section:-

17 7E1/2. Any on duty motor vehicle owned or operated by a city or town police or fire
18 department in the commonwealth and used for official business shall be equipped with at least
19 one fully functioning AED, as defined in section 12V1/2 of chapter 112.

20 SECTION 3. Section 35E7/8 of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as inserted by section 3
21 of chapter 137 of the acts of 2018, is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (a) the
22 following subsection:-

23 (b) There shall be a public safety vehicle equipment surcharge of \$0.50 imposed upon
24 each vehicular rental transaction in the commonwealth. The surcharge shall be in accordance
25 with section 32E3/4 and shall be deposited in the Automatic External Defibrillator Trust Fund
26 established in section 2WWWW of chapter 29; provided, however, that not more than
27 \$1,000,000 collected from the surcharge in a calendar year be deposited into the fund; and
28 provided further, that any amount collected from the surcharge above \$1,000,000 in a calendar
29 year shall be deposited into the General Fund. The surcharge shall not apply to transportation
30 network companies or to rental periods of less than 24 hours that are charged on an hourly basis.

31 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect on January 1, 2023.