

SENATE No. 2317

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Diana DiZoglio, (BY REQUEST)

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 enhancing recycling machines at Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority facilities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Michael Rossi

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

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By Ms. DiZoglio (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2317) of Michael Rossi for legislation for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to enhancing recycling machines at Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority facilities. Transportation.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 2073 OF 2019-2020.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**
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An Act relative to enhancing recycling machines at Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority facilities.

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. There shall be established, pursuant to section 2A of chapter 4 of the
2 General Laws, a special legislative commission to study the feasibility of installing reverse
3 vending machines, so-called, at mass transit facilities maintained by the Massachusetts Bay
4 Transportation Authority, which, for the purposes of this act, shall include terminals, stations and
5 garages, in order to encourage and facilitate recycling. The commission shall study and report
6 on: (i) the implementation costs and potential economic and environmental benefits of installing
7 these machines; and (ii) the feasibility and administrative cost of administering reimbursements
8 for recycled items as credits on stored-value cards to be used for the payment of fares charged by
9 the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority.

10 The commission shall consist of seven members: two members of the house of
11 representatives, one of whom shall be the house chair of the joint committee on transportation,
12 and one of whom shall be the house chair of the joint committee on the environment, natural
13 resources and agriculture; one members of the senate, one of whom shall be the senate chair of
14 the joint committee on transportation, and one of whom shall be the senate chair of the joint
15 committee on environment, natural resources and agriculture; and 3 of whom shall be appointed
16 by the governor, as follows: one of whom shall be a representative from the department of
17 transportation; 1 of whom shall be a representative from the department of environmental
18 protection; and 1 of whom shall be a member of a non-profit organization dedicated to
19 environmentally conscious technologies.

20 All commission appointments shall be made not later than 60 days after the effective date
21 of this act. The first meeting of the commission shall take place not later than 90 days after the
22 effective date of this act. The commission shall submit its final report with recommendations,
23 together with drafts of recommended legislation or regulations, if any, to the clerks of the house
24 of representatives and the senate not later than one year following the first meeting of said
25 commission.