

HOUSE No. 3388

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James J. O'Day

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 identification to youth and adults experiencing homelessness.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Mindy Domb</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>	<i>1/21/2023</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/21/2023</i>
<i>Rebecca L. Rausch</i>	<i>Norfolk, Worcester and Middlesex</i>	<i>1/24/2023</i>
<i>Daniel M. Donahue</i>	<i>16th Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2023</i>
<i>Lindsay N. Sabadosa</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>	<i>2/1/2023</i>
<i>Samantha Montaño</i>	<i>15th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/8/2023</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>	<i>2/9/2023</i>
<i>Adrian C. Madaro</i>	<i>1st Suffolk</i>	<i>2/14/2023</i>
<i>Tricia Farley-Bouvier</i>	<i>2nd Berkshire</i>	<i>2/14/2023</i>
<i>David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf</i>	<i>17th Worcester</i>	<i>2/22/2023</i>
<i>Kate Lipper-Garabedian</i>	<i>32nd Middlesex</i>	<i>2/22/2023</i>
<i>Natalie M. Blais</i>	<i>1st Franklin</i>	<i>2/28/2023</i>
<i>Natalie M. Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>	<i>3/6/2023</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	<i>3/6/2023</i>
<i>Kevin G. Honan</i>	<i>17th Suffolk</i>	<i>3/16/2023</i>
<i>Michael P. Kushmerek</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>	<i>3/27/2023</i>
<i>Tommy Vitolo</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>	<i>6/14/2023</i>

<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>	<i>6/14/2023</i>
<i>Brian W. Murray</i>	<i>10th Worcester</i>	<i>6/14/2023</i>
<i>Russell E. Holmes</i>	<i>6th Suffolk</i>	<i>6/14/2023</i>
<i>Chynah Tyler</i>	<i>7th Suffolk</i>	<i>7/17/2023</i>
<i>Simon Cataldo</i>	<i>14th Middlesex</i>	<i>8/25/2023</i>
<i>Vanna Howard</i>	<i>17th Middlesex</i>	<i>8/25/2023</i>
<i>Mike Connolly</i>	<i>26th Middlesex</i>	<i>9/6/2023</i>
<i>Estela A. Reyes</i>	<i>4th Essex</i>	<i>11/14/2023</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>	<i>12/11/2023</i>
<i>Kate Donaghue</i>	<i>19th Worcester</i>	<i>12/11/2023</i>
<i>Jennifer Balinsky Armini</i>	<i>8th Essex</i>	<i>12/19/2023</i>
<i>Peter Capano</i>	<i>11th Essex</i>	<i>1/9/2024</i>
<i>Daniel Cahill</i>	<i>10th Essex</i>	<i>1/9/2024</i>

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By Representative O'Day of West Boylston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3388) of James J. O'Day and others that the Registrar of Motor Vehicles provide identification to youth and adults experiencing homelessness. Transportation.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act to provide identification to youth and adults experiencing homelessness.

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 8E of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by adding the following 2 paragraphs:-

3 The regulations establishing criteria for identification cards shall include a process for a
4 person who is homeless or is an unaccompanied homeless youth to apply for a Massachusetts
5 identification card and to waive any fees associated with obtaining the identification card;
6 provided, however, that the process shall allow for a person who is homeless or is an
7 unaccompanied homeless youth to submit proof of residency by providing documentation that is
8 satisfactory to the registrar and that is: (i) from an entity that provides housing services or youth
9 services in the commonwealth, including, but not limited to, homeless service providers; or (ii)
10 evidence of services that the person received from a department, division, office or agency of the
11 executive office of health and human services. The registrar and the state secretary shall enter

12 into a memorandum of understanding under section 42G ½ of chapter 51 to implement this
13 paragraph, as appropriate.

14 For the purposes of this section, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

15 “Homeless”, shall have the same meaning as in section 103 of the federal Stewart B.
16 McKinney Homeless Assistance Act of 1987, 42 USC 11302, as amended.

17 “Unaccompanied homeless youth”, a person who: (i) is 24 years of age or younger; (ii) is
18 not in the physical custody or care of a parent or legal guardian; and (iii) lacks a fixed, regular
19 and adequate nighttime residence.