

SENATE No. 1590

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bruce E. Tarr

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 drug recognition experts.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Bruce E. Tarr

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Essex and Middlesex

SENATE No. 1590

By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1590) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation relative to drug recognition experts. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 1645 OF 2021-2022.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to drug recognition experts.

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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary the secretary of
2 the executive office of public safety and security shall develop a statewide standardization and
3 accreditation certification for municipal and state police officers to become drug recognition
4 experts for the purpose of providing testimony in court proceedings. The secretary shall submit
5 by December 31, 2024 any legislative recommendations to the clerks of the house and senate,
6 and the joint committee on public safety and homeland security.