

HOUSE No. 2725

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Tommy Vitolo

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 preserve license plate actionable toll enforcement and safety.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| <i>Tommy Vitolo</i> | <i>15th Norfolk</i> | <i>1/17/2025</i> |

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By Representative Vitolo of Brookline, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2725) of Tommy Vitolo relative to covering or obscuring a motor vehicle number plate. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)

An Act preserve license plate actionable toll enforcement and safety.

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. Section 6 of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the second sentence the following
3 sentence:- The No said number plates nor any part thereof shall not be covered or obscured with
4 any opaque, transparent, translucent or tinted material.

5 SECTION 2. Said section 6 of said chapter 90, as so appearing, is hereby further
6 amended by adding the following paragraph:-

7 If a law enforcement officer observes that a number plate is covered or obscured by an
8 opaque, transparent, translucent or tinted material, the officer may stop the motor vehicle and
9 issue the violator a citation.

10 SECTION 3. Section 7A of said chapter 90, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
11 inserting after the word “plates”, in line 38, the following words:- ; provided, that any number

12 plate covered or obscured by an opaque, transparent, translucent or tinted material shall be an
13 improper and unsafe condition.

14 SECTION 4. Section 7V of said chapter 90, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
15 inserting after the word “seven A”, in line 15, the following words:- ; and the requirement that
16 motor vehicles be issued a certificate of rejection for failing to comply with the prohibition in
17 section 6 against covering or obscuring a number plate with an opaque, transparent, translucent
18 or tinted material.

19 SECTION 5. Section 2 shall take effect 2 years following the passage of this act.