

HOUSE No. 3651

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael S. Day, (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 to improve the functioning and fairness of Registry of Motor Vehicles services.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Vincent Lawrence Dixon</i>	<i>60 Lake Street Unit N, Winchester, MA 01890</i>	<i>1/17/2025</i>

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By Representative Day of Stoneham (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3651) of Vincent Lawrence Dixon for legislation to encourage local service delivery of Registry of Motor Vehicle services. Transportation.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3300 OF 2023-2024.]

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

An Act to improve the functioning and fairness of Registry of Motor Vehicles services.

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. The Massachusetts General Laws are hereby amended by inserting the
2 following new chapter:

3 PURPOSE – Given, the relatively wide spread of geography of The Commonwealth of
4 Massachusetts, and the various costs, and conveniences, relating to traffic enforcement, public
5 motor vehicle safety, and various effectiveness of service delivery, as well as convenience and
6 fairness; it is the purpose of this legislation, to encourage local service delivery of Registry of
7 Motor Vehicle (RMV) services, as is desired, in local municipalities, through town, city, and
8 other non-state governmental legal jurisdictions.

9 All standard Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV) services, may be
10 delivered by qualifying local municipal, and other non-state governmental organizations; mostly
11 the cities, and towns of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, under the approved supervision of
12 the Registry of Motor Vehicles.

13 While it is considered that such services, may be delivered in person, during regular
14 business hours; appropriate regulation to describe such services, on-line, as appropriate, may be
15 described.

16 SECTION 2. All of these, and related services, shall be authorized, by Registry Local
17 Government Agreements (RLGA), voted, signed, and authorized by distinct town, city, or other
18 local, non-state governments, and the Registry of Motor Vehicles of Massachusetts.

19 SECTION 3. The Registry of Motor Vehicles, is hereby authorized to monitor, negotiate,
20 and establish such RLGA agreements, while ensuring that all appropriate standards, are met.

21 These include:

22 • Defining local offices, such as Traffic & Parking; Parking Enforcement, Town
23 Clerk Offices; and/or relevant staff, that perform such functions; that shall be authorized to
24 perform specified Registry functions.

25 • Determining what revenue share, the local government shall have, in performing
26 these services.

27 • Providing approvable RLGA agreements, which shall be subject to appropriate
28 approval, by the appropriate local government bodies, such as Select Boards, City Councils, and

29 Town Meetings, as is the normal practice in each municipal jurisdiction, and/or other non-state
30 government organizations.

31 • Other non-Commonwealth of Massachusetts entities, that presently provide such
32 services, continue to be authorized, in providing such services, on their existing basis.

33 • The Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV) shall be provided such regulatory power,
34 as to define the rules, and guidelines, relating to these functions.