

HOUSE No. 5143

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, February 25, 2026.

The committee on Transportation, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3610) of Bruce J. Ayers relative to establishing a special commission on public waterway transportation; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3612) of Bruce J. Ayers for legislation to increase the fines and penalties for texting while driving; the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 3613) of Bruce J. Ayers for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the feasibility of establishing a time limit for handicapped parking placard use in metered spots; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3616) of Bruce J. Ayers that cities and towns be authorized to issue temporary placards for handicapped parking spaces; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3619) of Bruce J. Ayers relative to requiring enhanced training for distracted driving offenders; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3620) of Kevin Griffin for legislation to authorize motorcyclists to travel in the breakdown lanes during periods of heavy traffic; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3621) of Kevin Griffin relative to special regulations for vehicle specific checkpoints; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3622) of Kevin Griffin relative to standards for protective headgear for operators or passengers on motorcycles; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3670) of Homar Gómez relative to dangerous high-speed pursuits; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3740) of Joseph D. McKenna relative to hardship licenses and interlocking ignition devices on motorcycles; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3768) of David Allen Robertson for legislation to allow for participation in community works programs for violations of certain motor vehicle laws; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3769) of David M. Rogers relative to testing for operating a motor vehicle while under the influence; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4086) of Christopher Richard Flanagan relative to a study of stormwater engineering to protect habitats along state highways; the petition (accompanied by bill, House,

No. 4129) of Bruce J. Ayers relative to the installation of illegal mufflers; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4130) of Leigh Davis for legislation to establish an accelerated bridge program to finance the repair, replacement and maintenance of structurally-deficient bridges through the use of certain bonds; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4131) of Paul McMurtry relative to mitigation during department of transportation projects, reports recommending that the accompanying order (House, No. 5143) ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

JAMES ARCIERO.

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1 *Ordered,* That the committee on Transportation be authorized to sit during a recess of the
2 General Court to make an investigation and study of House documents numbered 3610, 3612,
3 3613, 3616, 3619, 3620, 3621, 3622, 3670, 3740, 3768, 3769, 4086, 4129, 4130 and 4131,
4 relative to miscellaneous Transportation matters.

5 Said committee shall report to the General Court the results of its investigation and study
6 and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such
7 recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the Clerk of the House of Representatives
8 on or before December 31, 2026.