

HOUSE No. 5254

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 19, 2026.

The committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2566) of James Arciero and others relative to mobile amusement equipment restraints; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2567) of Bruce J. Ayers for legislation to require safety training for operators of jet skis, surf jets or wetbikes; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2575) of Antonio F. D. Cabral and Christine P. Barber relative to law enforcement agreements to enforce federal law; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2577) of Rob Consalvo relative to fire safety of state-owned buildings, structures and property; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2586) of Marjorie C. Decker relative to automatic sprinklers in certain older high rise buildings; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2593) of David F. DeCoste for legislation to authorize non-profit or charitable organizations to apply for waivers to the state elevator inspection fee; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2599) of Carol A. Doherty and James K. Hawkins relative to the use of green lights for municipal emergency management vehicles; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2601) of Mindy Domb and Joanne M. Comerford relative to passenger safety on motorcoaches; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2605) of Mindy Domb relative to treatment for substance use and alcohol use disorders; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2612) of Paul K. Frost relative to incarcerated persons covered by health insurance plans; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2623) of Jessica Ann Giannino relative to protecting public safety from unlicensed work and trades; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2624) of Homar Gómez and Patrick Joseph Kearney for legislation to mandate flotation devices in police vehicles; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2625) of Danielle W. Gregoire relative to the expansion of the state DNA database; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2628) of James K. Hawkins relative to arson investigators; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2630) of James K. Hawkins relative to

primary enforcement of seatbelt violations; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2634) of Natalie M. Higgins and others relative to indecent assault and battery committed by law enforcement officers; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2635) of Russell E. Holmes and Erika Uytterhoeven for legislation to authorize an independent correctional oversight office to facilitate the recommendations of the Special Legislative Commission on Structural Racism in Correctional Facilities of the Commonwealth; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2638) of Russell E. Holmes relative to parole board employees; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2641) of Steven S. Howitt relative to the storage of electric mobility devices powered by lithium-ion batteries; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2649) of Meghan K. Kilcoyne relative to the membership of the Massachusetts Fire Training Council; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2654) of Kathleen R. LaNatra and others relative to critical incident stress management for emergency service providers; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2659) of Jay D. Livingstone and Lindsay N. Sabadosa relative to medical and health service fees for incarcerated people; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2660) of Jay D. Livingstone relative to the membership of the forensic science oversight board; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2661) of Hadley Luddy, Michelle L. Badger and others for legislation to improve public health and safety standards in communities around aging nuclear power plants and high-level nuclear waste dump sites; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2670) of Samantha Montaña relative to establishing a peace officer oath; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2674) of David K. Muradian, Jr., relative to self-defense sprays; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2678) of Edward R. Philips relative to authorizing child passenger restraint exemptions to include vehicles used in the ride-share industry; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2679) of Edward R. Philips relative to fire protection systems for buildings and structures; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2680) of Bridget Plouffe for legislation to require public safety vehicles to be equipped with emergency thermal blankets; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2685) of David M. Rogers, Marjorie C. Decker and Patrick Joseph Kearney relative to the right of persons incarcerated in correctional institutions, state prisons, jails or houses of correction to confer with news media representative; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2688) of Jeffrey N. Roy, Paul McMurtry and others relative to establishing a primary seat belt law; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2694) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa

relative to access to parole; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2697) of Danillo A. Sena relative to aircraft flight training maneuver public safety around hospitals with air emergency helipads; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2702) of Michael J. Soter and others for legislation to protect correctional officers; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2706) of Priscila S. Sousa relative to postsecondary education in correctional facilities; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2707) of Alyson M. Sullivan-Almeida relative to immunity from prosecution for certain first responders for providing or transferring opioid antagonists to certain persons; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2717) of Jeffrey Rosario Turco and David F. DeCoste relative to the membership of the Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2718) of Jeffrey Rosario Turco, David F. DeCoste and David F. DeCoste relative to the membership of the Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2721) of Erika Uytterhoeven for legislation to authorize persons committed to a state correctional facility privileged contact with members of the General Court; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2737) of Steven George Xiarhos relative to emergency response in an active shooter or hostile event situation; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2739) of Steven George Xiarhos relative to neglecting to yield to a crossing guard or traffic officer; the joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3962) of Hadley Luddy and Julian Cyr relative to inspections of buildings or structures occupied in whole or in part as a short-term rental; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4049) of Russell E. Holmes for legislation to establish a prisoner donation program; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4124) of Jack Patrick Lewis and Samantha Montañó relative to role-playing games in correctional facilities; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4125) of Erika Uytterhoeven and Christopher J. Worrell for legislation to improve food safety and quality in Department of Correction facilities, reports (under the provisions of House Rule 27) recommending that the accompanying order (House, No. 5254) ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

DANIEL CAHILL.

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1 *Ordered,* That the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security be authorized to
2 sit during a recess of the General Court to make an investigation and study of House documents
3 numbered 2566, 2567, 2575, 2577, 2586, 2593, 2599, 2601, 2605, 2612, 2623, 2624, 2625, 2628,
4 2630, 2634, 2635, 2638, 2641, 2649, 2654, 2659, 2660, 2661, 2670, 2674, 2678, 2679, 2680,
5 2685, 2688, 2694, 2697, 2702, 2706, 2707, 2717, 2718, 2721, 2737, 2739, 3962, 4049, 4124 and
6 4125, relative to passenger safety, correctional facilities and other related matters.

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