

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bruce J. Ayers

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 providing for a study to be conducted on the cost feasibility of implementing a ferry service to Long Island in Boston Harbor.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Bruce J. Ayers</i>	<i>1st Norfolk</i>	<i>1/15/2025</i>

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3260 OF 2023-2024.]

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

An Act providing for a study to be conducted on the cost feasibility of implementing a ferry service to Long Island in Boston Harbor.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 There shall be a special commission established pursuant to section 2A of chapter 4 of
2 the General Laws to study and investigate the feasibility and efficacy of establishing, operating
3 and administering a ferry service to Long Island. The commission shall consist of 2 members of
4 the house of representatives, 1 of whom shall be nominated by the minority leader, 2 members of
5 the senate, 1 of whom shall be nominated by the minority leader, the secretary of transportation
6 or a designee, the commissioner of public safety or a designee and 5 members to be appointed by
7 the governor, 1 of whom shall be nominated by the mayor of Boston and 1 of whom shall be
8 nominated by the mayor of Quincy. The members of the commission may elect a member to
9 serve as chair. As part of its study and investigation, the commission shall analyze practices and
10 methods for current ferry services provided by or operated in the commonwealth. The
11 commission shall identify and project the potential cost for establishing, operating and

- 12 administering a new ferry route to Long Island and make recommendations for the
- 13 implementation thereof.