

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.

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 relative to assault and battery upon a transit worker.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.</i>	<i>28th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/15/2025</i>

HOUSE No.

[Pin Slip]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to assault and battery upon a transit worker.

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 13D of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, in line 1, after the word “battery,” the following
3 words:- including assault and battery by means of a bodily substance,.

4 SECTION 2. Said section 13D of said chapter 265 of the General Laws, as so appearing,
5 is hereby further amended by inserting, in line 2, after the word “employee,” the following
6 words:- including but not limited to a public transit worker,.

7 SECTION 3. Said section 13D of said chapter 265 of the General Laws, as so appearing,
8 is hereby further amended by inserting, in line 6, after the word “dollars.” the following
9 sentence:- For the purposes of this section, “bodily substance” shall mean any human secretion,
10 discharge or emission including, but not limited to, blood, saliva, mucous, semen, urine or feces.