

SENATE . . . . . No. 2531

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Nick Collins

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:	
Nick Collins	First Suffolk	
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex	4/3/2025
Patrick M. O'Connor	First Plymouth and Norfolk	5/7/2025
Sal N. DiDomenico	Middlesex and Suffolk	6/5/2025
Michael D. Brady	Second Plymouth and Norfolk	6/17/2025
Michael O. Moore	Second Worcester	6/5/2025
Dylan A. Fernandes	Plymouth and Barnstable	6/17/2025
John C. Velis	Hampden and Hampshire	6/17/2025
Jacob R. Oliveira	Hampden, Hampshire and Worcester	6/17/2025
John J. Cronin	Worcester and Middlesex	6/17/2025
Brendan P. Crighton	Third Essex	6/17/2025
Pavel M. Payano	First Essex	6/17/2025
Paul R. Feeney	Bristol and Norfolk	6/17/2025
Paul W. Mark	Berkshire, Hampden, Franklin and Hampshire	6/16/2025
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester	7/22/2025

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By Mr. Collins, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2531) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Nick Collins, Bruce E. Tarr, Patrick M. O'Connor, Sal N. DiDomenico and other members of the Senate for legislation relative to assault and battery by means of bodily substance upon a transit worker. The Judiciary.

**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.