

SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Dylan A. Fernandes

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 improving oversight and operations of the Steamship Authority.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

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Plymouth and Barnstable

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

An Act improving oversight and operations of the Steamship Authority.

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 3 of chapter 701 of the acts of 1960, as most recently amended by
2 sections 3 and 4 of chapter 429 of the acts of 2002, is hereby further amended in the second
3 paragraph:

4 by striking the word “his” and inserting in place thereof the word “the;”

5 and by adding the following sentence at the end thereof:-

6 No member shall serve more than three full terms; provided, that a member appointed to
7 fill a vacancy may serve three full terms after serving the unexpired portion of the former
8 member.

9 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding section 3 of chapter 701 of the acts of 1960, as amended
10 herein, members serving on the Steamship Authority Board who have served three full terms as
11 of the effective date of this act may complete the remainder of their term and may serve an
12 additional term immediately after their current term expires.