

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3993**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Jay R. Kaufman and Kathi-Anne Reinstein*

*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 student driver safety.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Jay R. Kaufman</i>	<i>15th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kathi-Anne Reinstein</i>	<i>16th Suffolk</i>
<i>Anthony W. Petruccelli</i>	
<i>George T. Ross</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Cory Atkins</i>	<i>14th Middlesex</i>
<i>Linda Dorcena Forry</i>	<i>12th Suffolk</i>

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By Representatives Kaufman of Lexington and Reinstein of Revere, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jay R. Kaufman, Kathi-Anne Reinstein and others for legislation to authorize the Registrar of Motor Vehicles to issue reflective decals indicating that the driver of a vehicle may be the holder of a junior operator’s license. Transportation.

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**In the Year Two Thousand Twelve**

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An Act relative to student driver safety.

*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 8 of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-

3 The registrar shall provide the holder of a junior operator’s license with two removable,  
4 transferable, highly visible, reflective decals indicating that the driver of the vehicle may be the  
5 holder of a junior operator’s license. The decals shall be designed by the registrar. The registrar  
6 may charge a fee for the decals not to exceed the actual cost of producing and distributing the  
7 decals. The decals shall be displayed in a manner prescribed by the registrar, and shall be clearly  
8 visible to law enforcement officers. The holder of a junior operator’s license shall not operate a  
9 vehicle unless the decals are so displayed. Any individual found operating a motor vehicle in  
10 violation of this paragraph shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$50. The registrar is  
11 hereby authorized to promulgate regulations to assure the timely and effective implementation of  
12 this paragraph.

13           SECTION 2. Section 8B of Chapter 90 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
14 amended by adding the following paragraph:-

15           The registrar shall provide the holder of a learner's permit with two removable,  
16 transferable, highly visible, reflective decals indicating that the driver of the vehicle may be the  
17 holder of a learner's permit. The decals shall be designed by the registrar. The registrar may  
18 charge a fee for the decals not to exceed the actual cost of producing and distributing the decals.  
19 The decals shall be displayed in a manner prescribed by the registrar, and shall be clearly visible  
20 to law enforcement officers. The holder of a learner's permit shall not operate a vehicle unless  
21 the decals are so displayed. Any individual found operating a motor vehicle in violation of this  
22 paragraph shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$50. The registrar is hereby authorized to  
23 promulgate regulations to assure the timely and effective implementation of this paragraph.