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# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

### PRESENTED BY:

# Bradley H. Jones, 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 school bus stop safety.

## PETITION OF:

Name:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	20th Middlesex
Bradford R. Hill	4th Essex
Elizabeth A. Poirier	14th Bristol
Susan Williams Gifford	2nd Plymouth
Todd M. Smola	1st Hampden
Paul K. Frost	7th Worcester
F. Jay Barrows	1st Bristol
Mathew Muratore	1st Plymouth
Shawn Dooley	9th Norfolk
Keiko M. Orrall	12th Bristol
David K. Muradian, Jr.	9th Worcester
Angelo L. D'Emilia	8th Plymouth
Kimberly N. Ferguson	1st Worcester
Kevin J. Kuros	8th Worcester
Sheila C. Harrington	1st Middlesex
Kate D. Campanale	17th Worcester

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1410) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others for legislation to prohibit certain sex offenders from loitering within 500 feet of a school bus stop. The Judiciary.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court (2015-2016)

An Act relative to school bus stop 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. Chapter 265 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition,
2	is hereby amended by inserting after section 47, the following new section:— A sex offender
3	who has been finally classified as a level 2 or level 3 sex offender, and for as long as the sex
4	offender is obligated to register, shall be prohibited from loitering within 500 feet of a school bus
5	stop which has been designated as such by any city, town, or school district.
6	For the purposes of this section, loitering shall mean remaining in the prohibited location
7	for more than 15 minutes. A sex offender who is the parent or legal guardian of a child scheduled
8	to depart from or arrive at a school bus stop, may remain at the prohibited location in excess of
9	15 minutes, but only until such time the child has departed or arrived.

10 A sex offender who violates this section shall be punished by a fine of \$500 for a first 11 offense, and for a second offense by a fine of \$1,000, or by imprisonment in house of correction 12 for not more than 3 months, or by both such fine and imprisonment, and for a third or subsequent

- 13 offense by a fine of 1,500 and not less than 3 months nor more than  $2\frac{1}{2}$  years in a house of
- 14 correction. Written notification shall be made to the sex offender registry board of such
- 15 violation.