

HOUSE No. 1958

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jay D. Livingstone

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 to reduce atmospheric pollution.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Jay D. Livingstone</i>	<i>8th Suffolk</i>
<i>Joseph A. Boncore</i>	<i>First Suffolk and Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>
<i>Daniel J. Ryan</i>	<i>2nd Suffolk</i>
<i>Michelle L. Ciccolo</i>	<i>15th Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Livingstone of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1958) of Jay D. Livingstone and others that Department of Public Health rules and regulations include imposition of local surcharges on commercial parking spaces. Public Health.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act to reduce atmospheric pollution.

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 31c of chapter 111 as appearing in the 2018 Official Edition, is
2 hereby amended by inserting after the third paragraph the following paragraph:-

3 Reasonable rules and regulations adopted pursuant to this section may include imposition
4 of a local surcharge on commercial parking spaces and/or a cap on the number of such spaces
5 available in any city or town, or portion thereof. The board of health or other legal authority
6 shall consider and take account of any other limitations on parking established pursuant to other
7 legal authority in said city or town. Furthermore, said board of health or other legal authority
8 may also vary the rate of surcharge based on the number of commercial spaces dedicated to zero
9 emission vehicles. All funds derived from such surcharges shall be paid directly to the city or
10 town to be used solely for the purposes of air pollution abatement and improvements in
11 transportation infrastructure.

12 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.