HOUSE No. 2985

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Tricia Farley-Bouvier and Patricia D. Jehlen

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 safe driving.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Tricia Farley-Bouvier	3rd Berkshire
Patricia D. Jehlen	Second Middlesex
Byron Rushing	9th Suffolk
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex
Louis L. Kafka	8th Norfolk
Jason M. Lewis	Fifth Middlesex
Marjorie C. Decker	25th Middlesex
Michael J. Barrett	Third Middlesex
Kenneth J. Donnelly	Fourth Middlesex
Paul R. Heroux	2nd Bristol
Jonathan Hecht	29th Middlesex
Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.	26th Middlesex
Jay D. Livingstone	8th Suffolk
David M. Rogers	24th Middlesex
Daniel J. Ryan	2nd Suffolk
Sal N. DiDomenico	Middlesex and Suffolk
Ruth B. Balser	12th Middlesex
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex

William N. Brownsberger	Second Suffolk and Middlesex
Peter V. Kocot	1st Hampshire
Jay R. Kaufman	15th Middlesex
Daniel A. Wolf	Cape and Islands
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester
Michael D. Brady	9th Plymouth
Marcos A. Devers	16th Essex
Mary S. Keefe	15th Worcester
Steven Ultrino	33rd Middlesex
Gloria L. Fox	7th Suffolk
Barbara L'Italien	Second Essex and Middlesex
Sonia Chang-Diaz	Second Suffolk
Frank A. Moran	17th Essex
Tom Sannicandro	7th Middlesex
Christine P. Barber	34th Middlesex
Frank I. Smizik	15th Norfolk
Carmine L. Gentile	13th Middlesex
Paul Tucker	7th Essex
James J. O'Day	14th Worcester
Rady Mom	18th Middlesex
Benjamin Swan	11th Hampden
Ellen Story	3rd Hampshire
Sean Garballey	23rd Middlesex
Daniel Cullinane	12th Suffolk
Michelle M. DuBois	10th Plymouth
Elizabeth A. Malia	11th Suffolk
William Smitty Pignatelli	4th Berkshire
Daniel M. Donahue	16th Worcester
Michael S. Day	31st Middlesex
Carlos Gonzalez	10th Hampden
Jose F. Tosado	9th Hampden
Cynthia S. Creem	First Middlesex and Norfolk
Evandro C. Carvalho	5th Suffolk

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By Representative Farley-Bouvier of Pittsfield and Senator Jehlen, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2985) of Tricia Farley-Bouvier and others relative to junior operator's licenses . Transportation.

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

An Act relative to safe driving.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- SECTION 1. Section 8 of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing the 2012 Official
- 2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting in line 11, after the word "require", the following
- 3 paragraph:-
- 4 Nothing in this section shall permit the registrar to deny a license to operate motor
- 5 vehicles or learner's permit application based on a failure by a Massachusetts resident ineligible
- 6 for a social security number to provide a social security number or evidence of immigration
- 7 status.
- 8 SECTION 2. Section 8B of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
- 9 further amended by inserting in line 7, after the word "require", the following paragraph:-
- Nothing in this section shall permit the registrar to deny a license to operate motor
- 11 vehicles or learner's permit application based on a failure by a Massachusetts resident ineligible

- 12 for a social security number to provide a social security number or evidence of immigration status.
- SECTION 3. Chapter 90 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after section 8B the following section:-
- Section 8B½. A license to operate motor vehicles or learner's permit may, under the rules and regulations established by the registrar, be issued to a Massachusetts resident ineligible for a social security number.
- (a) A holder of a license issued under this section shall be subject to any and all provisions of the General Laws and any and all implementing regulations to the same extent as any other person issued a driver's license, unless otherwise provided in the General Laws or by administrative rule, including but not limited to the examination requirements in section 8 of this chapter as well as the mandatory insurance requirements and penalties set forth in sections 1A and 34J of this chapter.
- (b) A license, learner's permit or Massachusetts identification card shall not confereligibility for any public benefit.
- (c) The Registrar shall adopt rules for implementing this section, including designatingacceptable evidence that an applicant is ineligible for a social security number.
- 29 (d) To the maximum extent allowed by applicable federal law, information collected 30 about applicants for a license to operate motor vehicles, learner's permit or Massachusetts 31 identification card shall be treated as confidential and shall not be disclosed to government 32 entities or private parties unless such disclosure is:

- 33 (i) Authorized in writing by the individual to whom such information pertains, or if such
- 34 individual is a minor or is otherwise not legally competent, by such individual's parent or legal
- 35 guardian; or
- 36 (ii) So ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction.