

HOUSE No. 3639

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

William Driscoll

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 public safety related to Blue Hills Trail Crossings Route 28 and Route 138 in Milton.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

William Driscoll

7th Norfolk

James M. Cantwell

4th Plymouth

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By Mr. Driscoll of Milton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3639) of William Driscoll and James M. Cantwell that the Massachusetts Department of Transportation be authorized to conduct a traffic study of a trail crossing of state highway Route 138 and state highway Route 28 in the Blue Hills Reservation. Transportation.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act relative to public safety related to Blue Hills Trail Crossings Route 28 and Route 138 in Milton.

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

1 The Massachusetts Department of Transportation, hereinafter the department, shall,
2 within 60 days of the effective date of this act, conduct a traffic study across state highway route
3 138 and state highway route 28, at the locations where the skyline hiking trail at the Blue Hills
4 Reservation crosses said highways, to determine the need for additional traffic safety measures in
5 such locations, including whether establishing pedestrian crosswalks and erecting pedestrian
6 crossing signs with flashing lights and reflectors in such locations would significantly improve
7 the safety conditions of the trail crossings at said highways.

8 If the department finds, after such traffic study, that such safety measures would
9 significantly improve the safety conditions of the trail crossings at said highways, the department
10 shall, within 30 days of such finding, establish pedestrian crosswalks across state highway route
11 138 and state highway route 28, at the locations where the skyline hiking trail at the Blue Hills

12 Reservation crosses said highways, and shall erect and maintain pedestrian crossing signs with
13 flashing lights and reflectors, and any other suitable markers the department determines are
14 necessary to ensure pedestrian and driver safety near such crosswalks, in compliance with the
15 standards of said department.