

HOUSE No. 943

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Mark J. Cusack

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 establishing a commission to examine transportation fees.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Mark J. Cusack

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

5th Norfolk

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By Mr. Cusack of Braintree, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 943) of Mark J. Cusack for an investigation by a commission (including members of the General Court) relative to state and local fees assessed to transportation for hire companies. Financial Services.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act establishing a commission to examine transportation fees.

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 187 of the acts of 2016 is hereby amended by adding the following
2 new section:-

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4 "SECTION 19. There shall be a commission which shall study the state and local fees
5 assessed to transportation for hire companies and services including taxis, livery, hackneys and
6 transportation network companies. The commission shall further study the relation of fees to
7 congestion. The members of the commission shall be as follows: the secretary of the department
8 of transportation, or a designee, who shall be the chair; the secretary of the executive office of
9 energy and environmental affairs, or a designee; the house and senate chairs of the joint
10 committee on transportation; a representative from Massachusetts Municipal Association; a
11 representative of a ride-for-hire or transportation network company; and a member of a
12 consumer group to be appointed by the governor. The commission shall file a report with its

- 13 findings, including any legislative and regulatory recommendations, with the clerks of the senate
- 14 and house and representatives not later than December 31, 2020."