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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jennifer E. Benson and James B. Eldridge

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 passage of the accompanying:

An Act relative to commuter shuttles and public transporation improvements.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Jennifer E. Benson	*37th Middlesex*
Cory Atkins	*14th Middlesex*
Bruce E. Tarr	☐ *[District]* ☐
William N. Brownsberger	☐ *[District]* ☐

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By Representative Benson of Lunenburg and Senator Eldridge, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 901) of Jennifer E. Benson and others relative to expanding parking facilities to promote the use of commuter shuttles and public transportation. Transportation.

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An Act relative to commuter shuttles and public transporation improvements.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to encourage the use of commuter shuttles and public transportation in the commonwealth, thereby saving energy, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and reducing dependence on foreign oil, therefore, it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

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. Chapter 40 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 22C, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 22C. Any city or town, having installed parking meters or coin-operated locking devices for bicycle parking under the provisions of section twenty-two A, may install parking meters in municipally owned or leased off-street parking lots and other devices for controlling such off-street parking lots, and may use any receipts from parking meters and other devices so installed for the purpose of purchase or lease of additional parking lots, the care and maintenance of the same, purchase or lease of any commuter shuttle or commuter shuttle services between such parking lots and available public transportation, the care and maintenance of public transportation station accessibility improvements, and in general for any traffic control or traffic safety purposes, including payment for public liability coverage in connection with the purchase, lease and use of said municipally owned or leased parking lots and commuter shuttles or commuter shuttle services.