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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.***

*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 assault and battery upon a transit worker.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.</i>	<i>28th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/16/2025</i>

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**  
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An Act relative to assault and battery upon a transit worker.

*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 13D of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, in line 1, after the word “battery,” the following  
3 words:- including assault and battery by means of a bodily substance,.

4           SECTION 2. Said section 13D of said chapter 265 of the General Laws, as so appearing,  
5 is hereby further amended by inserting, in line 2, after the word “employee,” the following  
6 words:- including but not limited to a public transit worker,.

7           SECTION 3. Said section 13D of said chapter 265 of the General Laws, as so appearing,  
8 is hereby further amended by inserting, in line 6, after the word “dollars.” the following  
9 sentence:- For the purposes of this section, “bodily substance” shall mean any human secretion,  
10 discharge or emission including, but not limited to, blood, saliva, mucous, semen, urine or feces.