



Transportation Investment Act SD1670/HD3119

Lead Sponsors: Senator Katherine Clark (Melrose);
Representatives Tricia Farley-Bouvier (Pittsfield) and
Carl Sciortino (Medford)

This legislation will guide transportation investment to build a financially stable, safer and more modern transportation system in every corner of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts from Pittsfield to Provincetown.

Creating Financial Stability

- Eliminates the practice of using capital dollars to pay for operating expenses
- Eliminates the practice of putting everyday operations on a high-interest credit card

Creating Regional Equity

- Requires that an equitable portion of revenue benefit regions throughout the Commonwealth.
- Provides funding to gateway cities and environmental justice neighborhoods to plan and design projects eligible for federal transportation money.
- Provides funding to gateway cities and environmental justice neighborhoods to invest in projects that residents care most about – such as fixing roads and bridges, RTA improvements, sidewalks, bike lanes, and projects that promote transit oriented development and affordable housing.

Making Smart Transportation Investments

- Transportation projects must comply with stated policy goals and objectives that reduce pollution, improve public health, improve land-use coordination and meet our mode shift goals.
- Requires that transportation investments be analyzed for their impact on our economy, environment, public health, low-income communities and communities of color, pedestrian and bike access, and cost of operations.
- Ensures that money is available for critical maintenance and safety investments.
- Support the state's existing mode shift goal to triple trips made on public transportation, biking and walking across the Commonwealth.

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Vehicle Miles Traveled Pilot Study HD2619

Lead Sponsors: Representatives Carl Sciortino (Medford) and Tricia Farley-Bouvier (Pittsfield)

This legislation would propose a voluntary vehicle miles traveled pilot program to identify alternatives and supplements to the gas tax.

The pilot would seek 1000 volunteers from the entire Commonwealth to evaluate ways to protect data collected, ensure privacy, and vary pricing based on time of driving, type of road, proximity to transit and vehicle fuel.



MBTA Debt Relief HD2609

Lead Sponsor: Representative Carl Sciortino (Medford)

This legislation would propose a way to address the crippling debt load at the MBTA by paying down the debt related to the Central Artery Project.

The legislation would require that the Commonwealth provide contract assistance from the Commonwealth Transportation Fund for the Big Dig debt held by the MBTA. This money couldn't come out of funds that are already set to support investments at the MBTA or RTAs.