

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2231**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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SENATE, November 3, 1983.

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was committed the Senate Bill establishing a Massachusetts Bicycle Advisory Board within the Department of Environmental Management (Senate, No. 1179), reports recommending that the same ought to pass, with an amendment, substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 2231).

For the committee,

**ROBERT D. WETMORE**

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-three.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE MASSACHUSETTS BICYCLE ADVISORY BOARD WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT.

*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 21A of the General Laws is hereby  
2 amended by inserting after section eleven the following new  
3 section: —

4 *Section 11A.* There is hereby established within the depart-  
5 ment of environmental management, an advisory board to be  
6 designated as the Massachusetts Bicycle Advisory Council,  
7 hereinafter referred to as the council, to meet at the call of  
8 its chairman and advise the department on policy matters re-  
9 lating to bicycle transportation.

10 Said council shall consist of the commissioner of environ-  
11 mental managment or his designee, who shall serve as chair-  
12 man; the commissioner of the department of public works or  
13 his designee; the commissioner of public safety or his desig-  
14 nee; the registrar of motor vehicles or his designee; one mem-  
15 ber of the senate appointed by the president of the senate;  
16 one member of the house of representatives appointed by the  
17 speaker of the house of representatives; and, four members  
18 appointed by the governor. Of the members appointed by the  
19 governor, one shall be a representative of the commercial bi-  
20 cycle industry and three shall be representatives of organized  
21 bicycle groups in the commonwealth. Each member of the  
22 council shall serve for a term of two years, and may be re-  
23 appointed. The members shall receive no compensation.

1 SECTION 2. The Massachusetts Bicycle Advisory Council,  
2 established under section 1 of this act, shall prepare a state-  
3 wide bicycle plan. Said plan shall consider but not be limited  
4 to the use of abandoned rights of way for bicycle paths; the  
5 development of commuter and recreational trails; bicycle ac-

6 cess to public transportation facilities including roadways,  
7 bridges, and airports; the development of a coordinated pro-  
8 gram for bicycles and motor vehicles; the enforcement of traf-  
9 fic safety laws; the development of bicycle amenities such as  
10 assigned parking facilities, bicycle routes, paths, and trails,  
11 and bicycle sensitive traffic light activators; and recommenda-  
12 tions for legislation relative to bicycle transportation. Said  
13 plan shall be filed with the clerks of the House and Senate  
14 within one year of the effective date of this act.

1. One to public transportation facilities including highways,  
 2 bridges and airports; the development of a coordinated pro-  
 3 gram for parks and water facilities; the enforcement of safe-  
 4 ly the water laws; the development of bicycle facilities such as  
 5 paved parking facilities, bicycle routes, trails, and trails;  
 6 and bicycle sensitive traffic light systems and roadways;  
 7 items for legislation relative to bicycle transportation. Such  
 8 plan shall be filed with the State of the House and Senate  
 9 within one year of the effective date of this act.