## The Road to Opportunity Act: An Act to increase opportunity by ending debt-based driving restrictions

H. 3662 & S.2368 (Rep. Brandy Fluker-Reid & Sen. Julian Cyr)

## STORIES FROM MASSACHUSETTS DRIVERS



**Renata** HUDSON, MA

"I had to stop working while I was undergoing cancer treatment, and then I lost my license because of EZ-Pass debt. I sent information about my cancer treatment to EZ-Pass, but they only offered to reduce the debt slightly if I could pay the entire amount in 30 days, which I couldn't do. It would take me over four hours on public transit, each way, to get to my appointments in Boston."

"My abusive ex-husband registered a car and credit cards in my name. I didn't know about the EZ Pass bills until he finally moved out and I could get my own mail. A debt collector is now looking for almost \$10,000 from me, and if I can't pay, I'll lose my license. I don't make a lot of money at my job and am now a single parent of two."



**Anonymous** REVERE, MA



**Anonymous** CHELSEA, MA

"I have to drive for my work, but I lost my license when I wasn't able to afford an EZ-Pass debt. Without a license, I couldn't work and couldn't afford my rent. After decades building a life in Massachusetts, I couldn't afford to stay and had to leave."

"Without an active driver's license, I lost my job. Losing my job made it impossible to keep up with rent payments. As a result, I am now facing eviction. The stress of potentially losing my home has been overwhelming, leaving me in a constant state of uncertainty and fear."



**Angel** BOSTON, MA



