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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**James H. Fagan**

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*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 bill:

An Act relative to establishing an electronic system for the submission, retrieval, storage, and public disclosure of campaign finance reports.

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PETITION OF:

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to establishing an electronic system for the submission, retrieval, storage, and public disclosure of campaign finance reports.

 *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 55 of the General Laws, is hereby amended by striking out section 18C, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, and inserting in place thereof the following section:—
   Section 18C. The director shall develop an electronic reporting system for the submission, retrieval, storage and public disclosure of campaign finance reports and financial activity statements required to be filed with the director. Use of this system by candidates and political committees shall be optional and not mandatory.