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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 prohibiting the collection of signatures for initiative or referendum petitions for compensation. .

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| James H. Fagan | 3rd Bristol |
| Barbara A. L'Italien | 18th Essex |
| Matthew C. Patrick | 3rd Barnstable |
| Alice K. Wolf | 25th Middlesex |
| Lida E. Harkins | 13th Norfolk |

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 644 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to prohibiting the collection of signatures for initiative or referendum petitions for compensation. .

 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

Section 22A of chapter 53 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:—
No person shall engage in the collection of signatures for a initiative or referendum petition for money or any other thing of value.