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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Thomas A. Golden, Jr.**

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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 reciprocity.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| Thomas A. Golden, Jr. | 16th Middlesex |
| Cleon H. Turner | 1st Barnstable |
| Rosemary Sandlin | 3rd Hampden |

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to reciprocity.

*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.

Section 9 of Chapter 11c of the Massachusetts General Laws is hereby amended by inserting at the end of the section the following:-

“(c) Emergency Medical Technicians who wish to become certified as an Emergency Medical Technician in Massachusetts may apply to the department for certification by reciprocity at the same level, without examination. Such application shall be in writing, be accompanied by the certification fee, and contain the following information:  
1) Proof of current licensure/certification as an Emergency Medical Technician by

a.) the state in which he/she currently functions and written verification from that state; or

b.) current registration with the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians and written verification thereof.

2) Proof of successful completion of an EMT-Paramedic training course that met the minimum U.S. Department of Transportation’s EMT Paramedic National Standard Curriculum.   
 3) Current Basic Cardiac Life Support successful course completion credentials from the American Heart Association Health Care Provider or American Red Cross Professional Rescuer in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation.

4) Current Advanced Cardiac Life Support successful course completion credentials from the American Heart Association is required for reciprocity at the EMT-Paramedic level.

Individuals who meet the requirements for certification by reciprocity will be certified consistent with the expiration date of their current certification but not to exceed a period of two years. Following certification by reciprocity, the individual must comply with the requirements of the department for recertification.”