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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Bradford R. Hill**

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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 taping and broadcasting legislative committee hearings.

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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 taping and broadcasting legislative committee hearings.

 *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 3 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 37 the following section:-

 Section 37A. All committee hearings shall be videotaped and made available to community access cable networks for public viewing on public television or local access cable.

SECTION 2. Section 11A of chapter 30A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out in line 16 and 17 the words “the general court or the committees or recess commissions thereof or”