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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Bradley H. Jones, 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 the simplification of paperwork for citizens.

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PETITION OF:

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| Bradley H. Jones, Jr. | 20th Middlesex |
| George N. Peterson, Jr. | 9th Worcester |
| Elizabeth Poirier | 14th Bristol |

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to the simplification of paperwork for citizens.

*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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the governor shall ensure that secretaries of the various departments and executive offices of the commonwealth promulgate standards so that all forms for services, licenses, and applications are as uniform as reasonably possible. Each document shall have a uniform layout and font for general information needed on each form, including but not limited to: name, date of birth, address, telephone number, and sex.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective on July 1, 2010.