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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**George N. Peterson, 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 prohibiting the distribution, possession and use of all tobacco products.

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PETITION OF:

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2219 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 distribution, possession and use of all tobacco products.

 *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 270, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking Section 6 in its entirety, and inserting in place thereof the following new section:-

Section 6. Distributing, possessing and/or using any cigarette, chewing tobacco, snuff or any tobacco in any of its forms by a person is prohibited. Any offenders shall be punished by a fine of no less then $150 for the first offense, not less than $200 for a second offense and not less than $300 for any third offense or subsequent offense or by imprisonment in a house of corrections for not more than 6 months.

SECTION 2. Sections 6A and 21 of Chapter 270, as so appearing, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. Section 22 of Chapter 270, as most recently amended by Chapter 215 of the Acts of 2008, is hereby repealed.