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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Kathi-Anne Reinstein**

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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 firefighters cessation program.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| Robert B. McCarthy | 130 Bowdoin St. Suite 710
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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to firefighters cessation program.

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

 Chapter 41 of the General Laws is amended in Section 101A.by adding the following at the end: Prior to the termination of a firefighter or police officer for violating this section said employee shall be offered an opportunity to enter a smoking cessation program. Subsequent violation may be cause for dismissal.