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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Michael J. Rodrigues**

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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 providing training for certain local boards and commissions.

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PETITION OF:

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act providing training for certain local boards and commissions.

 *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 17 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new section:—

 7B. The department shall establish, conduct and maintain an annual program of education and training for members of local boards of health; provided, however, that the department shall consult with the Massachusetts Association of Boards of Health in the development of said program; provided, further, that the department may contract with the Massachusetts Association of Boards of Health to provide such education and training. All education and training courses shall be free of charge to board members and, to the extent practicable, be offered in various locations throughout the commonwealth.

SECTION 2. Chapter 21A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section fifteen the following new section:—

 15A. The department of environmental protection shall establish, conduct and maintain an annual program of education and training for members of local conservation commissions; provided, however, that the department shall consult with the Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions in the development of said program; provided, further, that the department may contract with the Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions to provide such education and training. All education and training courses shall be free of charge to commission members and, to the extent practicable, be offered in various locations throughout the commonwealth.