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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**David B. Sullivan**

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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 further regulating exits in sports complexes.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| David B. Sullivan | 6th Bristol |
| Todd M. Smola | 1st Hampden |

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act further regulating exits in sports complexes..

*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. Section 97 A of chapter 143 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (a) the following paragraph:-

The board of building regulations and standards shall require the owner of any building or structure or portion thereof, that includes a place of business designed or used for occupancy as a nightclub, sports complex, dance hall, discotheque, bar, or for similar entrainment purposes, to install a luminescence egress route to all emergency exits and be placed at floor level. Said egress routes shall be powered by electricity and have a back up battery in case of a power failure. Said egress route systems shall meet state building code and fire code standards for heat resistance to be a viable safety path in extreme fire and smoke events.