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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Martin J. Walsh**

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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 pertaining to firefighter training .

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PETITION OF:

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act pertaining to firefighter training .

*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 6 Section 165 as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition is amended by adding in line 22 the following; “Said standards shall reflect the individual needs of communities as far as target hazards and local needs dictate. If disputes concerning standards are not resolved NFPA standards shall apply. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, a local fire training academy shall be given the authority to certify firefighting personnel subject to meeting the aforementioned standards. Funding for local training programs shall be paid in accordance with Chapter 175 Section 195 of the General Laws”.