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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Mr. Brewer**

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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 reducing firearm license application fees.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| Mr. Brewer | Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin |

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S01369 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act reducing firearm license application fees.

 *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 140, Section 129B of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out “$100” in the first sentence in Clause 9A and adding the following:-

“$50”

SECTION 2. Chapter 140, Section 129B is hereby amended by striking out the second sentence in Clause 9A and inserting the following:-

“The licensing authority shall retain $25 of the fee; and $25 of the fee shall be deposited in the Firearms Fingerprint Identity Verification Trust Fund”.

SECTION 3. Chapter 140, Section 131 is hereby amended by striking out “$100” in the fourth sentence in subsection (i) and inserting the following:-

“$50”

SECTION 4. Chapter 140, Section 131 is hereby amended by striking out the fifth, sixth, and seventh sentences in subsection (i) in their entirety and inserting the following:-

“The licensing authority shall retain $25 of the fee; $12.50 of the fee shall be deposited in the Firearms Fingerprint Identity Verification Trust Fund and the Firearm Licensing Review Board shall retain $12.50. For law enforcement officials, or local, state, or federal government entities acting on their behalf, the fee for the application shall be set at $25, which shall be payable to the licensing authority and shall not be prorated or refunded in case of revocation or denial”.