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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**James B. Eldridge**

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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 harbor pilots

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| James B. Eldridge | Middlesex and Worcester |

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to harbor pilots

 *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 103 is hereby amended by adding the following sections:

Section 36 – Solicitation Prohibited.

No person commissioned as a pilot under Chapter 103 of the General Laws shall engage in any work outside the scope of their commission that relates to or amounts to the solicitation of business for a company engaged in providing tugboat services for ships in the commonwealth.

Section 37 – Enforcement and Penalties –

Violations of this Act or the regulations promulgated under this Act may be prosecuted by the Office of the Attorney General or the District Attorney for Suffolk County in any Massachusetts court of competent jurisdiction. Except for the penalties provided in Section 3, above, violations of the Act or the regulations promulgated under this Act shall be punished by a civil penalty of no more than $20,000 per occurrence, or a criminal penalty of no more than $20,000 per occurrence.