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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Mr. Pacheco**

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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 Professional Services.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| Mr. Pacheco | First Plymouth and Bristol |

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act Relative to Professional Services.

 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

"Subsection (b) of Section 1 of chapter 30B of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following clause:

(3\_) a contract for the maintenance, inspection, improvement, or repair of a water tank, tower, standpipe or any facility or structure for water storage for public water supply or fire protection. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, a governmental body may enter into a contract for the maintenance, inspection, improvement, or repair of a water tank, tower, standpipe or any facility or structure for water storage for public water supply or fire protection without said contract being subject to the competitive bid process as set forth in sections thirty-eight A1/2 to thirty-eight O, inclusive, of chapter seven, section thirty-nine M of chapter thirty, or sections forty-four A to forty-four J, inclusive, of chapter one hundred and forty-nine."

For the purposes of this act, "governmental body" shall be defined as any city, town, county, water district, fire district, authority or state agency located within the commonwealth; provided further that the term “governmental body” shall not mean the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA).

This act shall take effect upon passage.