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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Brown, Scott (SEN)**

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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 remove pepper spray from firearms identification

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| Mr. Hedlund | Plymouth and Norfolk |
| Mr. Knapik | Second Hampden and Hampshire |
| Mr. Tarr | First Essex and Middlesex |
| Mr. Tisei | Middlesex and Essex |
| Todd M. Smola | 1st Hampden |
| F. Jay Barrows | 1st Bristol |

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. S01373 OF .]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to remove pepper spray from firearms identification.

*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. Subsection 6 of section 129B of chapter 140 of the General Laws, is hereby amended by striking out after the words “otherwise prohibited by law.”:-

“A firearm identification card shall be valid for the purpose of purchasing and possessing Chemical Mace, pepper spray or other similarly propelled liquid, gas or powder designed to temporarily incapacitate.”

SECTION 2. Subsection 7 of section 129B of chapter 140, is hereby amended by striking out after the words “shall be marked “Firearm Identification Card”” the following:-

“If a firearm identification card is issued for the sole purpose of purchasing or possessing chemical mace, pepper spray or other similarly propelled liquid, gas or powder designed to temporarily incapacitate, such card shall clearly state that such card is valid for such limited purpose only.”

SECTION 3. Subsection 9B of Section 129B of chapter 140, is hereby amended by striking out the subsection in its entirety.

SECTION 4. Subsection C of section 131 of chapter 131, is hereby amended by striking out after the words “capacity rifles and shotguns”:-

“, and for purchasing and possessing chemical mace, pepper spray or other similarly propelled liquid, gas or powder designed to temporarily incapacitate,”