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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Stephen J. Buoniconti**

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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 the retention of municipal records.

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PETITION OF:

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to the retention of municipal records.

*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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the records conservation board in consultation with the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall establish a schedule, criteria, and guidelines for the transfer of municipal records into an electronic format. It shall be the objective of this transfer schedule to convert municipal records currently in paper, microfilm, or microfiche format to an electronic format by a date not later than 3 years from the passage of this act.