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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Tarr, Bruce (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 to reduce teen smoking

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| Tarr, Bruce (SEN) | First Essex and Middlesex |

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act to reduce teen smoking.

 *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 270 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding after Section 6A the following additional new section:

“Section 6B. Whoever shall, while under the age of eighteen, be in possession of a cigarette, chewing tobacco, snuff, or any tobacco in any of its forms not given to that person by his parent or guardian shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten and no more than twenty-five dollars. If the offense is committed while on the property of a public school, it shall be permissible for administrative and teaching personnel of that school to confiscate the tobacco product.”