

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael A. Costello

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 procurement.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO PROCUREMENT.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 2 of Chapter30B of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting the following
2 definitions -

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4 "Cooperative purchasing" means procurement conducted by, or on behalf of, more than one public
5 procurement unit, or by a public procurement unit with an external procurement activity.

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7 "External procurement activity" means:

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9 (a) any public agency not located in this State which would qualify as a public procurement unit;

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11 (b) buying by the United States government.

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13 "Local public procurement unit" means any political subdivision or unit thereof which expends public
14 funds for the procurement of supplies, services, or construction.

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16 "Public procurement unit" means either a local public procurement unit or a state public procurement unit.

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18 "State public procurement unit" means the offices of the chief procurement officers and any other
19 purchasing agency of this or any other State.

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21 SECTION 2. Section 20 of Chapter 30B of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting at the end
22 thereof the following -

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24 " Any public procurement unit may participate in, sponsor, conduct, or administer a cooperative
25 purchasing agreement for the procurement of any supplies, services, or construction with one or more
26 public procurement units or external procurement activities in accordance with an agreement entered into
27 between the participants."