

**HOUSE . . . . . No.**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**James H. Fagan**

*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 defining substantial value.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
James H. Fagan	3rd Bristol

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3186 OF 2007-2008.]

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

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### AN ACT DEFINING SUBSTANTIAL VALUE.

*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 1 of Chapter 268A of the General Laws appearing in the 2006 Official Edition is hereby  
2 amended by adding the following definition:—
- 3 (R) “Substantial value”, anything with a value of \$500 or more, unless a court determines that based upon  
4 the facts of a particular case a higher amount should apply.