

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 requiring the disclosure of expenditures by subvendors.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	20th Middlesex
Viriato Manuel deMacedo	1st Plymouth
George N. Peterson, Jr.	9th Worcester
Elizabeth Poirier	14th Bristol

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT REQUIRING THE DISCLOSURE OF EXPENDITURES BY SUBVENDORS.

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 18 of chapter 55 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official
2 Edition is hereby amended by inserting after clause (8) the following clause:-

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4 (8A) the amount or value, date and purpose of each expenditure more than one hundred dollars
5 made in a reporting period, made by an agent or independent contractor, including any vendor or
6 subvendor, on behalf of or for the benefit of a candidate or candidate's committee. Expenditures
7 which must be reported include: (a) expenditures to any person, other than an employee of the
8 agent or independent contractor, for advice, analysis, or campaign management services,
9 including but not limited to analysis, advice, or management services in connection with
10 development of campaign strategy, campaign management, design or management of campaign
11 literature or advertising, campaign fundraising; and (b) expenditures to any person, other than an
12 employee of the agent or independent contractor, who furnishes the candidate or committee with
13 products or services which show how the campaign is conducted, including but not limited to
14 expenditures for printed campaign literature, advertising time or space, campaign buttons and
15 other campaign paraphernalia, surveys, polls, signature gathering and door-to-door solicitation of
16 voters, facilities, invitations, or entertainment for fundraising events and postage for campaign
17 mailings.

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19 SECTION 2. Section 32 of chapter 55 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official
20 Edition is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following paragraph:-

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22 No expenditure of one hundred dollars or more shall be made, other than overhead or
23 normal operating expenses, by an agent or independent contractor, including, but not limited to, a
24 political consultant or advertising agency, on behalf of or for the benefit of any candidate or
25 candidate's committee unless it is reported by the candidate or candidate's committee as if the
26 expenditure were made directly by the candidate or candidate's committee. The agent or
27 independent contractor shall make known to the candidate or candidate's committee all
28 information required to be reported by section 18 of this chapter.

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