

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

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

**Peter v. Kocot**

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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 Cultural Tourism and Employees of Cultural Institutions.**

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Peter v. Kocot	1st Hampshire

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine  
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## AN ACT RELATIVE TO CULTURAL TOURISM AND EMPLOYEES OF CULTURAL INSTITUTIONS.

*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.

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3 Section 3A of Chapter 64G of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after the word  
4 "occupancy" the following: -

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6 "...provided, that the city of Northampton is authorized to impose such local excise upon the  
7 transfer of occupancy of any room in a bed and breakfast establishment, hotel, lodging home or motel  
8 located within said city by any operator at the rate of up to but not exceeding 6 percent of the total  
9 amount of rent of each such occupancy, provided further, that revenues returned to said city pursuant  
10 to this excise may be used to promote cultural tourism and defray the operational costs of cultural  
11 facilities located within said city, including, but not limited to, the Academy of Music and the pension  
12 and retirement costs of individuals employed at such cultural facilities as of December 1, 2006."

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