

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

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

**Paul Kujawski**

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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 collective bargaining rights.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Paul Kujawski	8th Worcester

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2622 OF 2007-2008.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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**AN ACT RELATIVE TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING RIGHTS.**

*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. Notwithstanding the provisions of Chapter 150E of the general laws or any  
2 general or special law to the contrary, any employee organization representing employees of the  
3 Commonwealth or it's political subdivisions may elect, if their collective bargaining agreement  
4 has been extended as a result of an evergreen clause, so-called, for periods longer than one year,  
5 to adopt a salary escalator equivalent to the United States Department of Labor's Consumer Price  
6 Index for the previous calendar year. The employee organization may continue to exercise this  
7 election for every one year period that their contract has been extended through the evergreen  
8 clause, so-called.

9           SECTION 2. The provisions of section one of this act shall be applicable in the municipalities  
10 of the Commonwealth only upon the affirmative vote of the city council in the case of a city and  
11 the board of selectmen in the case of a town.

12          SECTION 3. This act shall expire on August 31, 2010.

