

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

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Vincent A. Pedone**

*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 the protection of customers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Vincent A. Pedone	15th Worcester
Michael O. Moore	Second Worcester

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 295 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE PROTECTION OF CUSTOMERS.

*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 any General or special law, or any rule or regulation, to the contrary, every  
2 contract for the sale of any item in the Commonwealth, which has been advertised or promoted in any way to  
3 permit a purchaser to defer any interest relating to the sale such item until either the time specified in said  
4 contract has passed or the principle price ,or any portion thereof, has been paid off, shall state conspicuously on  
5 said contract, in a similar style and size of print, the total amount of interest in dollars due and is required to be  
6 paid by said purchaser at the time said deferment and what the difference would to be in total dollars to be paid  
7 on such a sale if such a purchaser had paid for said item in full at the time of the sale and had not deferred such  
8 payment. Any such contract shall in likewise manner, and in keeping with this section, state if the amount of  
9 interest is to be started and calculated from the time of the sale of the item or if from the date of the deferment.