

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John F. Quinn

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 relating to the requirements of approval for certain lands formerly appurtenant to railroad right of ways.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
John F. Quinn	9th Bristol

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3609 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF APPROVAL FOR CERTAIN LANDS FORMERLY APPURTENANT TO RAILROAD RIGHT OF WAYS.

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 54A of chapter 40 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following
2 paragraph:-

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4 This section shall not apply to any such lands, or property appurtenant thereto, sold by a railroad company to
5 a person other than another railroad company, if the deed evidencing such sale was recorded or filed for registration
6 at least fifty years prior to the date on which an application for any permit to build a structure of any kind on the
7 property is filed.

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9 SECTION 2. This Act shall apply to deeds executed and recorded on, after and prior to its effective date.