

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

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

**Steven M. Walsh**

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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 requiring a cleanup of Brownfield sites taken by eminent domain.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Steven M. Walsh	11th Essex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1767 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

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AN ACT REQUIRING A CLEANUP OF BROWNFIELD SITES TAKEN BY EMINENT DOMAIN.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter 79 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is  
2 hereby amended by inserting after Section 5C the following section:-  
3 Chapter 79: Section 5D. Brownfields.  
4 Section 5D. If a parcel of land taken by eminent domain is considered a brownfields project site, as  
5 defined in Chapter 23G, Section 29A, the original owner of the land is responsible for environmental  
6 cleanup action and environmental site assessment, also defined in Chapter 23G, Section 29A.

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