

SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Morrissey, Michael (SEN)

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 establishing the home improvement contractor council.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Morrissey, Michael (SEN)

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Norfolk and Plymouth

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S00212 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE HOME IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTOR COUNCIL.

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 1 of chapter 143 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2000
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 3 and 4, the word "one hundred" and
3 inserting in place thereof the following word:— one hundred and one.

4 SECTION 2. Chapter 143 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by adding
5 the following section:—

6 Section 101. There shall be an advisory board to be known as the home improvement
7 contractor council, to assist in and make recommendations to the board relative to the
8 registration of any contractor or subcontractor who undertakes, agrees to undertake, or agrees to
9 perform residential contracting services. The council shall consist of seven members: the chief
10 of inspections of the division of inspection of the department of public safety or his designee; the
11 fund administrator of the residential contractor's guaranty fund established by chapter 142A; a

12 representative of the attorney general; a representative of a consumer group appointed by the
13 director of the office of consumer affairs and business regulation; and three members to be
14 appointed by the governor, one of whom shall be a representative of the Home Builders
15 Association of Massachusetts who is a registered home improvement contractor or subcontractor,
16 one of who shall be an owner and principal resident of a one or two-family residence, and one of
17 who shall be a representative of the National Association of the Remodeling Industry who is a
18 registered home improvement contractor or subcontractor. The governor shall from time to time
19 designate one member as chairman. The council shall be convened regularly by the chairman
20 and shall establish its own rules for the conduct of its business. The members of the council
21 shall not be compensated for their services, but they shall be reimbursed for travel and other
22 expenses necessary for the performance of their duties. The board may provide technical and
23 clerical assistance to the council.